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BIRTHS.

KERIN—March 10, 1931, at 40 Upper Fitzwilliam street, Dublin, the wife of Arthur H. Kerin, Munster and Leinster Bank, Newry, of a daughter.

LUDFORD—March 15, 1931, to Mr. and Mrs. Ludford, of Bramcote, Bowden, at Magdala Nursing Home, Upper Mount street, a daughter.

MARRIAGES.

EGAN and PATTERSON—February 18, 1931, at the Dr. Smith Memorial Church, Belgrano, Buenos Aires, by the Rev. Douglas Bruce, Philip Clement, youngest son of Rev. A. and Mrs. Egan, Seapoint road, Belfast, to Kathleen Alberta, daughter of the late Mr. T. McL. Patterson and of Mrs. Patterson, Clifton Court, St. John's Wood, London.

SMYTH and PORTER—March 12, 1931, at Christ Church, Rathgar, by the Rev. J. J. Macaulay, B.A., Hugh, elder son of the late Harry Smyth, D.L., R.I.C., and of Mrs. Smyth, York Gardens, Clifton, Bristol, to Barbara, younger daughter of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Porter, 8 Nevile road, Rathgar.

DEATHS.

ANNOUNCEMENTS received late for insertion in this column will be found on Page 6.

ATKINSON—March 14, 1931, at a Dublin Nursing Home, Annie Atkinson, widow of Horace N. Atkinson, late of 6 Victoria terrace, Terenure.

BELL—March 13, 1931, at his residence, Florawille, Bray, Co. Wicklow, Thomas Fleetwood, son of the late Rev. D. Bell, Rector of Inch, Co. Down. Funeral strictly private. No flowers, by request.

DUNNE—March 16, 1931, at her residence, 31 Munster street, Phibsborough, Colvin, widow of the late William Dunne. Funeral private. No [illegible] (when the day break and the shadows flee away).

EGAN—At his residence, 10 Victoria terrace, Terenure, John Joseph, surviving son of the late Andrew Egan, architect, Tuam, County Galway. Funeral (private) from Saint Joseph's, Terenure, to-morrow (Wednesday), after 10 o'clock Mass. No flowers.

EXSHAW—March 16, 1931, at Ivy Cottage, New Ross, John Anderson Exshaw, dearly-loved husband of Henrietta Florence Exshaw. Funeral (private) to-morrow (Wednesday) at 11 a.m.

GRENNELL—March 16, 1931, at her residence, 85 Kathgar road, Dublin, Mrs. Charlotte C. Grennell, widow of the late Aiden Grennell, Westminster Lodge, Foxrock, Co. Dublin. R.I.P. Funeral private. No flowers, Masses instead.

HANLY—March 16, 1931, Evelyn Elizabeth, eldest daughter of Thomas and [illegible] Hanly, Newtown House, Curragh Camp. Funeral to Monasterevan to-morrow (Wednesday) at 2 p.m. Thy will be done."

JOHNSTON—March 14, 1931, at Dalriada, Whiteabbey, County Antrim, Samuel Alexander Johnston, J.P. Funeral (private) to-day (Tuesday), 17th March, to City Cemetery.

KELLY—March 15, 1931, at 1 Eglinton Park, Kingstown, Isabella Caroline Kelly, of 5 Queen's Park, Monkstown, widow of the late William Bingham Kelly, D.L., R.I.C., and youngest and last surviving daughter of the late John G. Brady, Johnstown, Clones. Funeral private. No flowers, please.

KEYS—March 14, 1931, Alice Jane Keys, formerly of "Glenavon," Rathgar, aged 78 years. Funeral took place 16th instant, privately.

MARTIN—March 15, 1931, at Ellerslie, Temple road, Dublin, Geoffrey Albert, son of H. Herbert Martin and Mrs. Martin, aged 10 months.

MILLER—March 13, 1931, very suddenly, in Paris, the Right Rev. Robert Miller, D.D., Bishop of Cashel and Waterford. Funeral Service in Waterford Cathedral on Friday, 20th inst., hour to be announced later.

O'DONNELL—March 15, 1931, at St. Anthony's Hospital, Cheam, Annie O'Donnell, the beloved wife of Dr. John D. O'Donnell, late Chief Medical Officer, Kolar Goldfields, South India, aged 57. R.I.P.

PEMBERTON—March 16, 1931, at her residence, 40 Ballyman road, Glasnevin, Frances, daughter of the late Benjamin Pemberton, of this city.

REDMOND—March 13, 1931, at Cork street Hospital, Michael Gerald, dearly-loved child of Gerald C. and the late Mrs. Redmond, aged 3½ years. Interred Sunday, 15th March, in Rathmew Cemetery, Co. Wicklow.

SYMES—At Hastings, New Zealand, killed by earthquake, George Oliver, grandson of the late A. D. Symes, Hotel, Tinahely, age 2½.

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TYNAN—March 13, 1931, at her residence, Rathwhish, Rathowen, County Westmeath, Josephine, wife of the late John Tynan, R.I.P. Funeral from Rathowen R.C. Church to-day (Tuesday), March 17th, at 3 p.m. for Milltown.

WILKINSON—March 13, 1931, at her residence, Castle Hill, Enniscorthy, Selina Ann, second daughter of the late Thomas Wilkinson, Enniscorthy. Funeral to Corrig Cemetery to-day (Tuesday) at 3 p.m.

WILSON—March 13, 1931, at 9 Manson place, S.W., the residence of her son-in-law, Lieutenant-Colonel H. G. Powell, D.S.O., peacefully, Constant Grace Martha, widow of James Wilson, J.P., D.L., of Curraghmore, Edgeworthstown, Ireland, and mother of the late Field-Marshal Sir Henry Wilson, Bt., G.C.B., D.S.O., in her 88th year. Funeral at Paddington, Wilts, at 3 p.m., Saturday. Flowers to Manson place, before 11 a.m.

WILSON—March 16, 1931, at Beaufield, Stillorgan, Samuel Wilson, aged 82 years. Funeral 9.30 a.m. to-morrow (Wednesday).

ACKNOWLEDGMENT.

Mrs. O'Brien, 18 Cambridge road, Rathmines, desires to return sincere thanks to all friends who sympathised with her in her recent bereavement on the death of her father, James Mulligan, and trusts they will accept this acknowledgment, as it would be impossible to reply individually to all letters and wires received.

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ASHBY—Fifth Anniversary—In ever-loving memory of my dear father, William Ashby, who departed this life on March 17th, 1926, at his residence, 64 Adelaide road, in his 76th year.

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May the memory of St. Patrick's three-fold emblem,
Stir afresh the hearts of yore so free and kind,
May the sadness of the bitter partings leave them
For the brightness which 'neath darkest clouds we find.

May the memory of St. Patrick's Cross and Mission,
And the Crown, alone for those the Cross that bear,
May they waken highest venture, and fresh vision
To rise anew, and in past glorious records share.
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HARRISON—In loving remembrance of Rev. J. W. Harrison, of Arklow, called to higher service St. Patrick's Day, 1930. "He was not, for God took him."—M. Hallowes.

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CASE OF ARTHUR ROUSE.

MANY QUESTIONS IN THE COMMONS.

HOME SECRETARY AND A CONFESSION.

In the House of Commons yesterday, Mr. James Gardner (Labour, Hammersmith), asked the Home Secretary if he would make inquiries as to the circumstances in which what purported to be the confession of Arthur Rouse reached the Press.

Mr. Clynes—I have made searching inquiries, and I am satisfied that no confession was passed out by any official, and I think it very unlikely that any such document was sent out or passed out in any such way.

Mr. Gardner—Is the right hon. gentleman aware that certain journals are claiming that they had definite particulars that such a confession has come out of prison, and in the light of the libel, which I will call it, upon prison officials, can he take some steps to prevent a recurrence.

Mr. Clynes—I cannot answer for the resources or the inventiveness of the Press. I can only say I have made most searching inquiries, and, accordingly, answered in the terms I have already stated.

"INDECENCIES."

Mr. O'Connor (Conservative, Nottingham)—Will the Government give time for a private member's bill for dealing with indecencies of this kind?

Mr. Clynes—I doubt if even a private member's bill can deal with indecencies of this kind.

Mr. Marjoribanks (Conservative, Eastbourne)—Will the Home Secretary make arrangements for the official publication of confessions?

Mr. Clynes—There is a firmly established practice to the contrary, with very many advantages, and I see no reason to vary it.

Mr. Hall-Caine (Labour, Everton)—Have the Press invented the confession or did Rouse make one?

Mr. Clynes—The terms of my answer are all that can accurately and officially be stated on the matter.

Mr. Gardner next asked the Home Secretary if he had inquired into the means by which statements purporting to describe the last hours of Arthur Rouse had appeared in certain newspapers; whether any of this information was communicated by any of the prison officials, and, if so, what steps he was taking in the matter.

QUESTION OF A PLEDGE.

Mr. Clynes—These statements, where they do not relate to matters of ordinary routine, are sheer fabrications. For instance, it is entirely untrue that a gramaphone was used as one means of passing the prisoner's time.

Mr. Day asked the Home Secretary whether any pledge was demanded from relatives and others permitted to visit criminals under sentence of death that they shall not publish or divulge the result of such interviews, and, if not, whether in future he would exact such a pledge.

Mr. Clynes—It is not the practice to demand such pledges, which, in any event, would be difficult to enforce, and nothing happened in the present case which suggests that practice in this matter should be altered.

The *Daily Sketch* sent the following telegram to the Home Secretary on Saturday:—

"My informant, who communicated the details of Rouse's confession, published in the *Daily Sketch* this week, informs me that he is anxious to have the privilege of interview with you in order to tell exactly in what circumstances Rouse confessed to him, and to satisfy you of the authenticity of the confession. He says his action in revealing the confession was done with a sense of public duty, in view of the doubts felt regarding Rouse's conviction. It is at his request that I am sending this telegram. If you are interested in this request, perhaps you would be good enough to inform me by telegram when you could see him this week."

THE NORTH'S LOSS.

MR. DEVLIN'S VIEWS.

Mr. Joseph Devlin, M.P., speaking at a St. Patrick's Eve banquet in the Grand Central Hotel, Belfast, last night, said that it was now more than ever essential that they should make manifest that Ireland was still a nation.

They in Northern Ireland would never agree, and would never accept any political changes that would tend to make Ireland two nations instead of one. The undeniable fact was that under present conditions Northern Ireland had lost, and lost materially, by its division from the rest of the country. Depressed trade, commerical weakness and poverty existed among them. In their efforts to restore the Six Counties to power and prosperity they had lost their strength.

WIDOWS' AND ORPHANS' FUND.

CHURCH OF IRELAND.

The Board of the Widows' and Orphans' Fund (Church of Ireland) met on Thursday, 12th inst. The Chairman, Mr. J. A. Maconchy, presided. The other members attending were: The Dean of Belfast, the Archdeacon of Dublin, Canon Lockett Ford, Canon Hearn, Canon Drury, the Earl of Belmore, D.L., and Captain Carden, D.L. Mr. Garvey sent a message apologising for his absence through illness.

The draft of the report to be presented in May to the General Synod was approved.

The deaths of two contributors were noted.

Permission to continue membership was granted on revised terms to a clergyman who had undertaken duty in England.

The Board ordered that effect be given to the request of the Bishop of Down, that the sum of £127 10s. be distributed among the present beneficiaries of the Connor Widows' Fund.

Payments were ordered: Widows' and Orphans' Fund, £2,826 17s.; Diocesan Funds, £620 17s. 4d.

The date of the next meeting is 16th April.

William W. Venn (26), temporary warder, Pentonville Prison, who had pleaded guilty to taking tobacco into prison, and also admitted bringing in a letter, was sentenced at Clerkenwell yesterday to three months in the second division and fined £5.

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RATES AND PUBLIC SERVICE.

LORD MAYOR AND FALSE ECONOMY.

"Right down hard work of the ordinary citizen is the root of the prosperity of any country," said Mr. S. D. Budd, proposing the toast, "Prosperity to Ireland," at the annual delegate dinner of the Irish Bank Officials' Association, which was held in the Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dublin, last night, Mr. W. P. Black, Past President of the Association, presiding.

Mr. Budd advocated support of home industry as a means of prosperity, and said that a bright and cheerful outlook should be cultivated if the prosperity of Ireland, which they were looking for, was to be achieved.

The Lord Mayor, who responded, said that, like other countries, Saorstat Eireann was passing through a bad period of economic depression, but he believed that Ireland would get out of that difficulty sooner than other countries. Without trying to dictate to members of that Association, he hoped that they would recommend Irish investments as secure and profitable when their advice was asked for. During the recent period of industrial stagnation Ireland had made progress. Unemployment was the big problem, and every citizen would help to solve that problem by buying Irish goods when Irish goods were as good and as cheap as the foreign product.

PUBLIC SERVICES.

The credit of the country and the credit of the City of Dublin stood very high. He was not going to betray any secrets about the rates, but he would say that, as far as the rates are concerned, it was false economy to reduce rates and starve public services. They would keep the public services up to date and do the best they could to see that the rates struck would not hamper in any way the progress and prosperity of the city.

Proposing the toast of the President (Mr. O. C. Barry), who was unable to attend owing to illness, the Chairman expressed the regret that every one present felt at Mr. Barry's absence, and, speaking of the Association, said that they had in it about 95 or 96 per cent. of the bank officials in Ireland, representing a membership of over 5,000. He thought, he said, that it would be found that their members were, not only in the performance of their daily avocation, but in their mingling in social life, doing a great deal for the country in many ways. (Hear, hear.)

Mr. C. H. Denroche proposed the toast of the guests, and Mr. T. Levins Moore and Mr. J. J. Halpin, President of the Chamber of Commerce, responded.

SICK AND INDIGENT ROOMKEEPERS.

The monthly meeting of the Executive of the Sick and Indigent Roomkeepers' Society (Incorporated) was held last Friday evening at the offices, 2 Palace street, Dublin. Mr. Martin Mortell presid. Also present:—Messrs. Patrick J. O'Hanlon, Patrick Byrne, John Mackey, John J. Gilfoyle, James A. Finlay, Thomas E. Brindley, Patrick J. Cahill, P.C., T.C.; the Rev. John Carson, B.D. (Joint Hon. Secretary), and Gerard C. Weekes, Secretary.

The report and financial statement for the month of February showed that 434 applications from poor families, duly vouched in accordance with the rules, had been admitted, the amount expended in relief being £233 16s. 6d.

The Society is at present indebted to the bank to the extent of £3,478. Subscriptions towards reducing this heavy burden are urgently needed, and will gratefully be received and acknowledged by the Secretary, 2 Palace street, Dublin.

Three hundred and fifty members of the Right Wing of the Japanese Labour Party forced an entry last evening into the house of Mr. Hamaguchi, the Prime Minister, despite opposition by the police, says a Reuter message from Tokyo, and handed the Prime Minister a resolution demanding the dissolution of "this bourgeois Diet."

It is officially announced that Sir William Henry Venables Vernon, K.B.E., Bailiff of Jersey, has been compelled by illness and advancing years to tender to the King his resignation of that office. Sir W. Vernon has held offices in Jersey under the Crown for a period of over fifty years, having, prior to his appointment as bailiff in 1899, been one of the insular law officers since 1880; and His Majesty, in accepting his resignation, has commanded the Home Secretary to convey to Sir W. Vernon an expression of appreciation of the services which he has rendered to Jersey throughout this long period.

TOBACCO AND ITS MANUFACTURE.

VALUE OF CLEARANCES IN DUBLIN.

At the meeting of the Dublin Rotary Club yesterday in Clery's Restaurant, Mr. G. J. T. Clampett, President, in the chair, Mr. J. E. Dawson (Gallaher, Ltd.) read a paper on "Tobacco," in which he gave an interesting history of the growth and manufacture of the "weed."

THE PAPER

Mr. Dawson said that it was a great pleasure to him on his return to his native land after an absence of twenty years on the other side of the water to have the honour of addressing the members of the Dublin Rotary Club. The subject that he was to speak on might be described as "the burning question of the hour," although it all "ends in smoke."

In the course of his paper Mr. Dawson stated that in October, 1492, Christopher Columbus landed on the island to which he gave the name of San Salvador, one of the Bahama group, and it was during the first week of November of that year that European first noted the Indian custom of tobacco-smoking. Two sailors who were sent to explore Cuba returned to their ship and told how they found the natives carrying a light firebrand and puffing smoke from their mouths and noses. They thought at first that the natives were perfuming themselves; but they were told that it was the leaves of an herb from which the smoke arose. The aborigines of Central America rolled up tobacco leaf and dreamed away their lives in smoky reveries ages before Columbus was born, or the colonists of Sir Walter Raleigh brought it within the precincts of the Elizabethan courts.

The general supposition was that the name "Tobacco" was derived from the island of Tobago was a fallacy. About 1560 was the date generally awarded to the introduction of tobacco to Europe. While its introduction into Europe was more for medicinal purposes than for smoking, it was true that the use of tobacco gradually spread out from Spain until to-day virtually the whole world was aware of its narcotic properties. Tobacco reached Bristol before the end of the sixteenth century. In 1624 the Government decided to limit the importation of the weed to London alone, but fourteen years later, owing to the impossibility of coping with smugglers, four other ports were allowed to engage in the importation. From that onward the tobacco trade thrived throughout Great Britain and Ireland.

GROWING THE PLANT.

The growing of the tobacco plant, he said called for expert attention, and the curing of the leaves after the harvest was a most important function—the utmost care being essential for its proper drying. A large number of Customs officials are employed at the principal tobacco ports in the collection of the duty, and the bonded warehouses are carefully guarded. The development at the Dublin port in connection with the storage of tobacco showed a very gratifying change within recent years, and it was interesting to note that duty on clearance of tobacco in this department exceeds two and a quarter million pounds annually. Since 1825 no less than sixteen laws pertaining solely to tobacco had been placed on the Statute book.

Of recent years cigarette smoking had increased enormously, and in this direction manufacturers had made great strides to meet the demand. Millions of cigarettes were still being made by hand, but machinery had been introduced, and there were now machines capable of turning out over 60,000 cigarettes per hour.

A DUBLIN FACTORY.

The speaker said that the firm of Gallaher, Ltd., Belfast, had ramifications extending the world over. The factories in Belfast were the largest in the world outside the combine; they had a floor space of 11¼ acres. They had recently opened in factory in Dublin, with directors of its own, and working as a separate company. It was hoped that the Dublin factory would not only maintain, but enhance the reputation of the firm. The extension to the Free State was a project about which the management were very optimistic, and their enterprise in establishing a new factory in Dublin was, he said, certain to have an appreciable effect, directly or indirectly, on the employment question. The net selling value of cigarettes, cigars, tobacco and snuff, inclusive of duty, produced in the Irish Free State in 1929 was £5,215,746, as compared with £5,033,366 in 1925. There was a slight decrease in the number of persons employed in the tobacco industry in Ireland between the years 1926 and 1929—2,048 against 2,105; but the amount paid in salaries and wages showed an increase of £27,986—the figure in 1929 being £314,775, as against £286,789 in 1926. The great bulk of the cost of tobacco, he said, goes into taxation, the duty being 8s. 2d. per lb. in the Free State, and 8s. 10d. in Great Britain and Northern Ireland. When that and other costs were discharged, there was little or no room for reduction in price.

THE TOBACCO HABIT.

In conclusinon, Mr. Dawson said:—"I submit that tobacco and the habit of smoking makes it easier for a person in his daily life and conduct, to put into practice those principles of humanity and sociability which are so essential in the world to-day; which are embodied in and practised by such organisations as that in which your interests are centred, and under whose auspices we are met and as represented by your motto—"Service Before Self."

On the motion of Mr. H. G. Gower, seconded by Mr. James McMahon, a vote of thanks was passed to Mr. Dawson.

FUNERAL OF MR. W. G. ARMSTRONG.

The funeral of Mr. William George Armstrong, solicitor, took place yesterday from his residence, 19 Morehampton road, Dublin, to Dean's Grange Cemetery.

The attendance included Richard W. Armstrong (son), Samuel Norris Green (son-in-law), George Corry (nephew), Major Richard R. Martin (Bloxham, Taylor and Martin), Erroll Austen, Crawford Shortt, the Rev. W. A. Rea, B.A.; I. Hawkins, G. W. R. Grace, C. B. de Lacy, H. C. Shellard, Sir Robert Tate, K.B.E., F.T.C.D.; R. F. Kelch, T. V. Shellard, A. W. Bennett, G. J. Cole, S. R. McNamara, T.D.S.; Harford Kelly, George S. Greene, Eric Gorman, Miss Taylor.

The Rev. W. N. Harvey, B.D., conducted the Service.

Some shepherds, who were opposed to the policy of the Mayor of the isolated township of Megara, attempted to blow up the mayoral residence with dynamite yesterday, says a Reuter message from Athens. Half the building collapsed, but no one was injured.

THE WOMAN'S PAGE.

SPRING CLEANING WITHOUT TEARS.

HINTS BY AN UP-TO-DATE HOUSEKEEPER.

Spring Fashion from Paris.

This charming suit can be made in any colour. The model is in rose-beige crepe-de-chine. The coat, which has a rippling "jabot" movement, fastens at the side, and the collar—which can be closed or left open at will—finishes with a bow and a beautiful flower.

DEAR AILEEN,—Although the ancient methods of spring-cleaning went out with the advent of electrical cleaners and their various attachments, nevertheless it is still the habit of the average housekeeper to devote the days of early spring to household renovations. Possibly, this is due to the cruel penetration of the brighter daylight, which shows up all the defects so kindly hidden by the murky days of winter.

Even the best-kept houses will at this season require alterations, which should never be allowed to clash with school holidays—children hate to find painters and others of that ilk in possession when they arrive for a couple of weeks of home life. Therefore, the work must be done now or put off until after Easter.

Careful Preparation.

No matter how small the renovation or cleaning job seems to be at first, it is sure to gather bulk as it proceeds; hence careful planning is the most important part of the enterprise. Instead of starting work right when the mood seizes her, the experienced housekeeper will walk from room to room with notebook and pencil to list and to plan all details. She will also find out what outside help she will require, and hire it right away.

Probably the sweep will be her first requirement. May used to be the month of sweep hire, and when his job was done fires wore screens until the end of summer; but with fires going all the year round there is no sense in delaying his visit.

Do not be afraid to aim high. Take a good look at the ceilings: they are almost sure to need attention. Although interior decoration can be attempted by amateurs, whose careful enthusiasm will often help them to overcome the difficulties of inexperience, I consider it a false economy to have ceilings white-washed, distempered or papered except by a firm of decorators. Apart from the fact that such overhead work is very tiring, these men will have the correct ladders, brushes and sheets to preserve the wall-paper.

Do not Hoard.

While this work is in hand is the time to clear out, dust out, and tidy in all cupboards, bookcases and wardrobes. With special reference to the latter, I say "Don't hoard." If a garment has given you good service, be generous and let it take on a second lease of life with some poor woman, who will appreciate both its warmth and its appearance—don't wait to give it away until it is old-fashioned and moth-eaten. If money is very scarce then make a little by selling a parcel of old clothing.

Things like old vests that are not good enough to give away or sell will make excellent dusters and polishers. In any case, make some use of all old stuff and "Don't hoard!"

Old newspapers should be folded on top of wardrobes and cases to prevent loose dust working its way into corners. Another use for old newspapers is to soak them in hot water, make a pulp, add any kind of paste, allow to cool and then use the material to fill holes in floors.

The Sewing Woman.

A large box or basket should be kept handy into which can be put clothes, cushions and similar articles for renovation. If possible hire a good sewing woman to attend to its contents. It is wonderful what a slight alteration will do to freshen up a favourite frock of last season.

The sewing woman will be able to make any new loose covers required also, but before her arrival the sewing machine should be well oiled, so that no mechanical deficiency will delay her.

As regards cretonne or chinz for loose covers or cushions, never buy this without first seeing a strip of the cloth in the room for which it is required. The shops have usually short ends, which they will send for your approval.

Dealing with the Walls.

To return to the actual cleaning, the walls will now require special attention. If they require repapering this can very easily be done without ouside help. Wet the old paper well and scrape it all off, fill in any nail holes, go over the walls with size and, cutting your paper to the required lengths, spread with paste and hang. Once you are sure that the paper falls straight, tap it to the wall with outward strokes of a clean cloth. Before cutting the paper into strips the left-hand margin should be trimmed off.

I am more concerned at the moment, however, with walls which do not require repapering. One of the attachments to the electrical cleaner is a wall brush. It is tiresome work holding this brush against the wall, especially if the rooms are large, but the clean result is well worth the trouble. When cleaning very lofty walls it will be found less tiresome if the machine is mounted on a table.

This wall brush may be used also on the painted woodwork, especially in the crevices, but the paint will also need a good wash with soap and water.

Do not skimp food in spring renovation time, but adjust the menu so that no extra time will be spent in the preparation of meals.—Yours, MARY.

Try this Chocolate Pudding.

Put four ounces of sugar and two tablespoonfuls of lemon juice into a charlotte mould and cook over the fire until the sugar is dark brown. Cool and fill up with chocolate custard.

To make this cut up three ounces of chocolate and put it into a saucepan with two-and-a-half gills of milk. Cook over a slow fire for ten minutes and mix in three eggs, two ounces of sugar and a few drops of vanilla.

Steam gently for one and a half hours; turn out and serve either hot or cold.

General Household Hints.

If a sewing machine needle sticks when sewing heavy goods, rub the line to be stitched with a piece of rather dry soap.

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Before washing new woollens, soak them for two hours in rain water. This enables the wool to retain its natural oil and keeps it soft.

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Iron saucepans are apt to rust if not in daily use. To prevent this make a thick paste of starch mixed with a strong solution of soda and water and coat the inside all over. This paste is easily removed when the saucepan is required.

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Suede bags, belts, and shoes are best cleaned by rubbing in hot bran. Afterwards brush well and raise the nap with fine glass-paper.

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If tea cloths are a bad colour, make a solution of ammonia and soak them all night. You will be surprised at the result.

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Cult of the Mussel.

A USEFUL SHELLFISH.

THE recent decision to form new mussel beds at the mouth of the Boyne is an excellent example of the far-sighted policy pursued by the Government in fostering, as far as possible, the natural resources of the country.

History certainly repeats itself in this case. The mussel fisheries in France and on the Continent mainly owe their being to the powers of observation and practical ability of a shipwrecked Irishman, one Walton, who was rescued from a watery grave by the fisherfolk of the Bay of Aiguillon, somewhere about 1135. Thus exiled and completely on his "beam ends," Walton commenced a wild fowling business as a means of livelihood. While visiting his snares and nets he observed that the wooden supports and framework, to which they were affixed, soon became covered with mussels of excellent quality.

FIRST MUSSEL CULTURE.

From this discovery was evolved the present system of mussel culture, so successfully followed around the coast of Rochelle and Ile de Ré, also famous for their oyster parks. The "crop" is grown on a framework of strong piles, interlaced with wicker work and branches, arranged in V-shaped converging rows, the sharp end pointed seawards. These hurdles are called *bouchots*, and usually are about 200 metres in length and roughly six feet in height.

The *bouchots* are classed according to their position in the bay, *bouchots d'aval* or *du bas*, the farthest out, and only uncovered during spring tides, *bouchots bâtard*, *bouchots milieu* and *bouchots d'avant*. The *bouchots du bas* differ from the rest inasmuch as only stakes are employed in their construction.

THE PLACING OF THE STAKES.

These stakes are placed several yards apart, and are destined to collect or intecept the young mussels or *naissain*. The babes are afterwards transplanted to the other *bouchots* which, nearer the shore, more frequently are uncovered by the tide.

The different stages in mussel cultivation are called as follows:—Sowing, planting and transplanting. About the end of April the seed fixed in February and March to the *bouchot du bas* has attained the size of a grain of flax. In this stage it is called *naissain*. In July the *naissain* has become *renouvelain*, and it is about the size of a bean when it is transplanted to the *bouchot bâtard*. The mussels are affixed to the *bouchot bâtard* by a method called *la batrisse*. The seed is enclosed in bags of old net along the hurdles; soon the bags rot and disappear, when the mussels are left adhering to the *bouchot*.

As the crop increases in size it is thinned out, and the removals are placed on the *bouchot milieu*, which is duly uncovered during neap tides.

MARKETING THE MUSSELS.

After a year or so the mussels are fit for market. They are removed then to the *bouchots d'avant* nearest the shore, whence they are gathered easily as they are required for sale. Strangely enough, there is a very perceptible difference in flavour according to the locality. Those from the upper divisions are decidedly better than the lower divisions. No doubt, the weather and exposure are responsible, and possibly the food supply contributes to this phenomenon.

Owing to the muddy nature of the coast it is impossible to wade; so the "farmer" pushes himself about with his bare feet in a small flat-bottomed canoe called a *progue*.

VALUE OF THE MUSSEL.

The value of the crop is very considerable, amounting to about £50,000 yearly according to fairly recent figures. In Germany a ruder, but not dissimilar, method is used. Large branches are strewn on the mud and are left during four or five years. The resulting crop then is taken up and sold by weight throughout the country.

Beds of mussels form a very strong barrier against coastal erosion, and there is little doubt that, properly directed, mussel beds would safeguard greatly the crumbling portions of our coasts.

There is a bye-law forbidding the removal of mussels from Bideford Bridge, as the molluscs are supposed to assist in holding the stones together, and a large landowner in Norfolk is very jealous of anyone removing the mussels from the shore bounding his property, as rightly he considers them a potent barrier against the encroaching sea.

COLD WEATHER A DANGER.

Mussels object strongly to cold weather, and a cold spell may do tremendous damage to the beds. During one bitter night in 1874 nearly two hundred acres of "bed" were destroyed by cold. Besides affixing themselves to stones, piles, etc., mussels are found in large numbers on the keels of old hulks and vessels long stationary in harbours. It has been estimated that over two hundred tons were scraped from the keel of the Great Eastern at one "cleaning."

Besides the revenue from their sale as bait, they are excellent eating, as all who have sampled *Moules d'Ostende* will agree. Care is required, however, in selecting them, as, indeed, is the case with all shellfish, for a polluted mussel bed is a fertile source of typhoid and other dangerous diseases. It is possible to remove the infected "fish" to clean waters and to disinfect them. Shellfish so treated soon become suitable for the table or export.

PEARLS.

Pearls occasionally are found in mussels, but in this country they are seldom of any appreciable value, though in America the freshwater pearls constitute a very valuable asset to those engaged in searching for them. It is as a food supply that we must consider our mussels, and it is to be hoped that, when supplies are available, Irish hotels will insist on only Irish mussels, and help to maintain the important industry that has been restarted.

CHURCH SERVICES.

ST. PATRICK'S CATHEDRAL.—8 and 11 o'clock, Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel. 9 o'clock, Holy Communion (in Irish). 10 o'clock, Matins. Psalms 86, 87. Chants 13, 1. Te Deum, VIII. Jubilate, 52. Hymn 491. 4 o'clock, Evening Prayer. Offerings for Cathedral Grammar School. Psalm 68. Magnificat and Nunc Dimittis, Stanford in C. Processional Hymn 352. St. Patrick's Breastplate (Dore). Preacher, the Very Rev. R. G. S. Kaye, M.A., Dean of Derry. Hymn 174.

CHRIST CHURCH CATHEDRAL. — 10.45 o'clock, Morning Prayer. Psalm 46. Jubilate, Stewart in G. Anthem, "The Breastplate" (Stanford). 11.30 o'clock, Holy Communion in the Lady Chapel. 5 o'clock, Evening Prayer. Magnificat. Hymn 345.

ST. KEVIN'S CHURCH.—11.30 o'clock, Holy Communion. The Rev. Dr. Emerson.

ST. MICHAN'S.—8.30 and 11.30 o'clock, Holy Communion.

ST. PAUL'S.—8.30 and 11.30 o'clock, Holy Communion.

HAROLD'S CROSS PARISH.—8 and 11.30 o'clock, Holy Communion.

DRUMCONDRA PARISH.—11.30 o'clock, Holy Communion and Sermon. The Rev. J. T. Cummins.

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YESTERDAY'S CASES IN THE COURTS.

JUVENILE CRIME.

NOT SUITABLE FOR BORSTAL.

(BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, MR. JUSTICE SULLIVAN, AND MR. JUSTICE HANNA.)

Reducing a sentence of five years' penal servitude, passed at Naas on Thomas Page, a boy under 17 years of age, for an offence against a young girl, to one of three years' penal servitude, the Court of Criminal Appeal, having regard to the nature of the offence of which the defendant was convicted, and the necessity for preventing the contamination of Borstal inmates, which possibly would result from association with persons found guilty of such crimes, expressed the opinion that the case was not a suitable one for Borstal detention, and that, as there exists at Mountjoy Prison a class for juvenile offenders who have been sentenced for similar offences, and who are, as far as possible, treated on lines analogous to the treatment provided for Borstal inmates, the defendant should be remanded in custody to undergo the reduced sentence, and placed in the special class for juvenile offenders in Mountjoy.

Page applied personally for leave to appeal against the sentence of five years' penal servitude.

The Chief Justice said that in considering how they should best deal with the punishment of the offence of the very grave kind of which this youth had been convicted, the court had received very great assistance from Mr. Justice Hanna, who had gone into the matter in great detail. The boy no longer was in the class of those who received special treatment in Borstal, but it was very satisfactory to find that in Mountjoy special provision was made for youths of this kind, who were kept apart from ordinary adult criminals, and were given an educational course, with a view to fitting them to earn a livelihood in some trade. The court thought that the best way to deal with the prisoner would be to return him to Mountjoy for a period of three years' penal servitude, and that, subject to that alteration, the application for leave to appeal should be dismissed.

Mr. T. P. McCarthy (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) appeared for the Attorney-General.

GROUNDS OF APPEAL.

COURT OF CRIMINAL APPEAL RULING.

(BEFORE THE CHIEF JUSTICE, MR. JUSTICE SULLIVAN AND MR. JUSTICE HANNA.)

The Court had laid it down, said the Chief Justice, during the hearing of an application in the Court of Criminal Appeal, that they would not allow, after a transcript of evidence had been given, the making of grounds of appeal which were not made at the time when notice of appeal was served.

The Court refused the application of Michael Halpin for leave to appeal from a sentence of three years' penal servitude passed on him at Naas on a charge of conspiracy to steal and of receiving stolen property.

Mr. Art. O'Connor (instructed by Mr. John Shiel) appeared for the applicant; and Mr. Ros (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) for the Attorney-General.

Edward McGinnity, Monaghan, was refused leave to appeal from a sentence of three months' imprisonment on a charge of attempting to obtain money by false pretences from the Royal Liver Insurance Company.

Mr. T. P. McCarthy (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) appeared for the Attorney-General.

MUSICAL WORKS.

INJUNCTION AGAINST PERFORMANCE.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE MEREDITH.)

The Performing Right Society, Ltd., and Lawrence Wright, Dublin, trading as the Lawrence Wright Music Company, sought an injunction against Elizabeth McCormick, of the Cabin Café, 30 and 31 Wicklow street, Dublin, to restrain her from performing in public a number of musical works in which the plaintiffs claim vested rights.

Mr. Nolan Whelan (instructed by Mr. D. H. Charles) appeared for the plaintiffs.

There was no appearance for the defendant.

Mr. Justice Meredith granted an injunction, with costs.

CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.

"JOY-RIDING."

WRECKED CAR AND THE SEQUEL.

(BEFORE MR. JUSTICE JOHNSTON.)

A young man named Arthur McGauran pleaded not guilty to having stolen and damaged a motor car owned by Mr. George Hornsby. A further count charged him with receiving the car, knowing it to have been stolen. The extent of the damage to the car was said to be £81.

Mr. Cecil Lavery, K.C., who, with Mr. Joseph Healy (instructed by the Chief State Solicitor) prosecuted, said that the offence of stealing motor cars left in city streets was a serious one. Mr. Hornsby left his car in Lower O'Connell street at about 6 p.m. on January 25th last, and when he returned later the car was missing. Afterwards the car was seen at Rathmines, travelling at a great speed across Portobello Bridge into Aungier street, scattering people in all directions. It finally dashed into a wall in Aungier street and was wrecked. The driver of the motor car, who was identified as the prisoner, was subsequently arrested in his home at Ellis's quay.

Several witnesses were examined for the prosecution.

FITS OF DEPRESSION.

Mr. Joseph O'Connor, K.C., who (instructed by Mr. J. V. Brady, solicitor) defended, said that the prisoner made no concealment of the fact that he took the car. He was in bad health, which subjected him to acute fits of depression, and when he took drink when in this condition he became quite reckless and lost all sense of responsibility. On the 25th January he drank some whiskey for the first time in his life, and, having done so, became completely reckless. He went for a drive to Enniskerry, where he had some more drink, and he was returning to the city when the car skidded and dashed into railings in Aungier street.

The prisoner did not mean to take the car permanently; he simply took it for a "joy-ride," and joy-riding was not yet a criminal offence——

Mr. Justice Johnston—I hope it soon will be.

Mr. O'Connor—I understand that it will be, my lord, under the Traffic Bill.

Medical evidence was given regarding the prisoner's state of health.

The prisoner gave evidence to the effect that he was depressed and had some drink, and took this motor car for a drive. He was returning the car to O'Connell street when the car skidded and the accident occurred.

"NOT GUILTY" VERDICT.

Judge Johnston told the jury that, while the prisoner's conduct was most reprehensible, it would be unsafe for them to find him guilty on the counts of larceny of the car; or receiving it, knowing it to have been stolen. If they believed that the prisoner drove the car in a grossly careless manner, amounting to criminality, without having any regard to consequences, they could find him guilty of causing malicious damage.

The jury found the prisoner not guilty on all counts, and he was discharged from custody.

THREE YEARS FOR ROBBERY.

John Caffrey and Michael Brennan pleaded not guilty to breaking into the premises of Baxendale and Company, Capel street, Dublin, and stealing money and stamps to the value of about £12.

The jury found Caffrey guilty, and Brennan not guilty. The latter was discharged, while Caffrey was sentenced to three years' penal servitude.

The Court adjourned until Wednesday morning.

DUBLIN CIRCUIT COURT.

COMPENSATION CLAIMS.

QUESTION OF MENTAL OR PHYSICAL TROUBLE.

(BEFORE JUDGE DAVITT.)

In a case under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906, Christopher Duff, of Old Bride street, a labourer, was the applicant, and the Electricity Supply Board respondents.

It appears that on 6th June, 1930, transformers carrying a charge of 5,000 volts of electricity were hung on a wall at Synnott place. The applicant came along and put his hand on the cubical trip-stick, which flashed to him and hit him on the fingers of the left hand. Applicant's weekly earnings had been 59s. He received 35s. weekly from the date of the accident until December 11th last, when the compensation stopped.

Dr. Martin Farrell, who examined the applicant last week and on several other occasions since the accident, said that in his opinion the man was unfit for his usual work, but could do light work.

Surgeon Pringle, for the respondents, expressed the opinion that the applicant's trouble was more mental than physical. He had got it into his head that he could not use his fingers, but he would be perfectly able to work if he could be induced to work.

Dr. Andrew Butler also expressed the opinion that the applicant was fit for work.

Judge Davitt awarded £1 weekly on the basis of partial incapacity from 11th December until the 13th inst.

Mr. Harrison (instructed by Mr. C. B. W. Boyle) appeared for the applicant, and Mr. McGonigle (instructed by Messrs. Corrigan and Corrigan) for the respondents.

FALL OFF A LADDER.

William Costelloe, a gardener, of "The Yard," Carysfort, Grove avenue, Blackrock, sought compensation under the Workmen's Compensation Act of 1906 from Peter O'Reilly, of St. Leonard's, Avoca avenue, Blackrock, and South Great George's street (draper).

It appeared that on 23rd September, 1930, while the applicant was trimming a holly tree at St. Leonard's, he fell off a ladder sustaining injuries to his back. He got five payments of 35s. a week, and claimed that sum weekly for the remainder of the period from 23rd September until the present date. His wages had been £2 2s. 6d. weekly, with milk and vegetables.

Medical evidence having been heard,

Judge Davitt awarded £1 weekly on the basis of partial incapacity until further order. He thought that if the applicant endeavoured to cure himself he would be better off, and would be able to do some work.

Mr. Reddy, solicitor, appeared for the applicant, and Mr. McGonigal (instructed by Messrs. Corrigan and Corrigan) appeared for the respondent.

A FRACTURED LEG.

In a case under the Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906, John Kelly, of Nottingham street, Dublin, able seaman, was the applicant, and the British and Irish Steampacket Co., Ltd., respondents.

It appeared that while the applicant was aboard the ss. Lady Chloe off Plymouth on 15th April, 1930, a rope attached to an iron block was carried away, and the bight of the rope struck applicant on the leg fracturing it. He was in hospital in Plymouth for five weeks, when he returned home. From his return until 31st December, 1930, the respondents paid him 35s. weekly, but then reduced the compensation to £1 weekly. He claimed 35s. weekly.

The respondents' case was that the applicant was fit for light work at the beginning of this year. Arrangements were made accordingly to provide him with such work, which he refused. The compensation was thereupon reduced to £1 weekly, but this the applicant also refused. Respondents were still ready to give him light work until he had recovered completely from his accident.

After hearing medical evidence, Judge Davitt awarded applicant full compensation from the end of December, 1930, and compensation of £1 weekly, on the basis of partial incapacity, from now until further order, not to be paid if the respondents provided applicant with light work.

Mr. Harrison (instructed by Mr. C. B. W. Boyle) appeared for applicant, and Mr. W. L. Sainsbury (instructed by Messrs. Norris Goddard and Coulter) appeared for respondents.

KNOCKED OFF HER BICYCLE.

(BEFORE JUDGE SHANNON.)

Bridget Fields, domestic servant, of Geraldstown, Santry, sued Michael Dinneen, dairyman, of Bolton street, Dublin, for damages for personal injuries received when she was knocked off her bicycle by the defendant driving a motor car on the Ballymun road.

The defendant's case was that the plaintiff, who was cycling on the wrong side of the road, wobbled in front of the motor car when only a few yards away. He did not sw the horn because he thought she saw car coming.

Judge Shannon, whilst accepting the defendant's explanation, said that he thought that if he had blown his horn there would have been no accident. He awarded £18 10s. compensation.

Mr. Charles Casey (instructed by Mr. Gerald Tench) appeared for plaintiff, and Mr. James Cawley (instructed by Mr. P. D. O'Grady) for the defendant.

LOSS OF A BROOD MARE.

George Hill, Brittas, sued John Egan, a neighbouring farmer, for £250 damages for the death of a three-quarter bred in-foal mare, caused by the alleged trespass on the lands of plaintiff of a horse belonging to defendant on June 2nd last.

Mr. Kingsmill Moore (instructed by Messrs Dobbyn and McCoy) appeared for plaintiff, and Mr. Roe (instructed by Messrs. Brown and McCann) for the defence.

Judge Shannon held that the defendant's horse attacked the mare, and he gave a decree for £50.

TO-DAY'S DOG SHOW.

IRISH KENNEL CLUB FIXTURE AT BALLSBRIDGE

To-day the Bloodstock Paddock of the Royal Dublin Society at Ballsbridge will be given over to the annual show of the Irish Kennel Club. For this event the entries total 2,409, comprising 1,008 individual dogs from all parts of Ireland, with a liberal representation from Great Britain. This is the largest entry of dogs brought together under the auspices of the Irish Kennel Club, and may truly be described as the greatest dog exhibition yet held in Ireland. Given fine weather, the fixture should attract a big company of dog lovers, and more especially of those who pin their faith to the forty-five breeds to be represented. Among the entries Cocker Spaniels, with a big classification, head the list with 293 entries. Alsatians follow with 206, Irish Setters 148, Cairns 145, Fox Terriers (Wire) 140, Irish Blue Terriers 133, Irish Terriers 124, and Fox Terriers (Smooth) 106. Here is the complete list:—

Breed.	Entries.
Spaniels (Cocker)	293
Alsatians	206
Setters (Irish)	148
Cairns	145
Fox Terriers (Wire)	140
Irish Blue Terriers	133
Irish Terriers	124
Fox Terriers (Smooth)	106
Sealyham Terriers	97
Pomeranians	80
Pekingese	77
Spaniels (English Springers)	64
Airedales	59
Pointers	57
Pugs	56
Yorkshires	56
Varieties	53
Collies	49
Irish Wolfhounds	49
Bulldogs	47
Poodles	47
Dandie Dinmonts	43
Retrievers (Labrador)	42
Spaniels (Irish Water)	39
Dalmatians	29
Bedlingtons	28
Scottish Terriers	27
Setters (Irish Red and White)	24
Old English Sheepdogs	21
French Bulldogs	20
Mastiffs	15
Setters (Sporting)	14
Great Danes	9
Retrievers (Flat-coated)	8
Setters (Non-Sporting)	4
Total	2,409

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STUDENTS' TEA SHOP

Viscountess Craigavon opens a tea shop run by women students of Queen's University, Belfast, in connection with Hospital Day. Captain D. C. Lindsay (Chairman) is seated on her right.

DUBLIN DISTRICT COURT.

SPURIOUS COINS.

STORY OF BAD FLORINS AT RUGBY GAMES.

(BEFORE MR. LITTLE.)

Said to have confessed that he had been making base coins for the last thirty years, without being caught, John Harte (63), of Lower Gardiner street, Dublin, described as a labourer, and having the appearance of a tramp, was remanded in custody for a week on the charge of uttering six spurious florins.

Gertie Doyle, cashier in the shop of Robert Holland, butcher, Emmett road, Inchicore, gave evidence that Harte entered the shop hurriedly and asked her to give him a pound note in exchange for silver coins. Five florins among the coins were bad.

According to Guard 154 A, who arrested Harte in a public-house, Harte at first said that he must have got the bad money when selling flowers, and denied being in Inchicore on the day alleged, but, after being identified by Miss Doyle at a parade, he made the following statement:—

"I made coins for the last thirty years and I was never caught. Three weeks ago I made eighty two-shilling pieces in my home at Gardiner street.

"I made them for the Rugby match, and passed about fifty. I sold badges for sixpence each, and when anyone gave me half-a-crown I gave him a badge and a bad two-shilling piece.

"I had about thirty of the bad two-shilling pieces left for the other Rugby match, but when I heard it was being played in Belfast I tendered them in shops."

The Guard added that when arrested Harte had in his possession £1 9s. 7d. He said that the 9s. 7d. was obtained by selling flowers, while a pound note was given him by the cashier at the shop at Inchicore. He told the witness that he threw the mould into the Liffey, but later he said that if he got three or five years the mould would be all he would have to fall back upon.

BIGAMY CHARGE.

John Glynn, builder's labourer, Queen street, Dublin, was charged with bigamously marrying Brigid Grimes, 4 Upper Dominick street.

Guard 58 D said that when he told Glynn that he was making inquiries about a bigamous marriage, defendant said: "I might as well get it over at once. There is no use me denying it."

The witness then produced what he said were certificates of a marriage between John Glynn and Mary Ormsby, of 38 Mountjoy street, Dublin, in 1915, and of a further marriage between the defendant and Brigid Grimes.

Mr. Little—Is his first wife still alive?—Yes.

Inspector Beggs said that Glynn's lawful wife would be present if the case were remanded.

A remand was granted until Thursday, the defendant being admitted to bail, himself in £25 and an independent surety of the same amount.

ALLEGED SHOPLIFTING.

Two handbags, three pairs of gloves, five handkerchiefs, a muffler, socks and a pair of women's shoes were among the articles piled out on the solicitors' table when Elizabeth Grace (40), a married woman, of Richmond road, was charged with stealing two men's scarves from Messrs. Pim Bros. last Saturday afternoon.

Guard 179 B said that he called at the woman's house and found there a quantity of property, to the value of about £6 10s., for which she was not able to give a satisfactory account.

The defendant was remanded on bail for a week.

A DISMISSED CHAUFFEUR.

When the case was called in which John Eager was charged with attempting to obtain by menaces the sum of £2 from Miss Catherine Reid, Sandycove, by whom he had been employed as a chauffeur, Inspector Wolfe said that there was no further evidence to offer.

Mr. J. P. Murnane (instructed by Messrs. Gerald Byrne and Co.), who defended, said that the defendant had not been in trouble before. He had been in the employment of Miss Reid for eleven years, and now as the result of a drunken spree he had lost that employment, stained his character, and had had his heels cooled by being remanded in custody for the last few days.

Mr. Little applied the Probation Act and bound the defendant over for twelve months in £10.

The Weather Blamed.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.
ENNISKILLEN, Monday.

AT Enniskillen Petty Sessions to-day Patrick M'Namara, Bodarra, had two cases against him for selling butter containing water in excess of the standard, and a third case for selling buttermilk containing an excess quantity of water. He said that the weather was cold at the time, and he had to use more hot water than usual. He was fined 2s. 6d. and 15s. 6d. costs in each case.

John Dolan, Corralinner, made a similar plea in regard to butter which he sold containing an excess quantity of water, and he also was fined.

The Three Scholarships.

Some time ago we published an account of the trip to Dublin organised by Messrs. Williams and Woods, Crosse and Blackwell, and Keiller in connection with the Second National Scholarship Scheme. Over one hundred prize winners, with parents or guardians, from every county in the Irish Free State, were entertained at the Hotel Russell, and shown over the factory. They then sat for the final examination for the three Grand Scholarships in the Bolton street Technical Schools. The following are the winners:—First Prize, £100—Patrick G. Flynn, St. Stephen's National School, Waterford: Second Prize, £50—Kathleen Cronin, St. Louis Convent, Monaghan; Third Prize, £25—Kitty Nolan, Dublin street, Kildare

Features of the final examination were the exceptionally high standard of the essays submitted, and the fact that the second prize winner wrote her essay in Irish.

The Third National Scholarship Scheme will be held during the present year, and full details of this will appear in our advertisement columns early next week.

FROM THE LEGAL DIARY.

LAW NOTICES—Wednesday, March 18.
AN CHUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS UACHTARACH.
(The Supreme Court.)
At 11 o'clock. For Hearing. Appeals—In re Mary Hennessy, a bankrupt; in re Estate of Kennedy, deceased, Kennedy and another v. Kennedy and others; in re Finance Acts, O'Connor, deceased, Hendrick, petitioner (notice of withdrawal served).
AN CLABAIRTHOIR DO'N PRIMH-BHREITHEAMH
(The Registrar to the Chief Justice.)
Before Dr. Webb, Assistant Registrar, at 11.30 o'clock—Henry, minors; Kiely, minors; Wooley, minors.
Before Mr. Magahan, at 11 o'clock—Sureties, J. R. Cresswell.
AN ARD-CHUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS.
(The High Court.)
In Court 1, at 11 o'clock. Action—Durcan v. Durcan (at hearing). For Thursday, 19th March, at 11 o'clock. For Judgment—Galway Co. Council v. Co. Galway Board of Health and Public Assistance. For Wednesday, 25th March. Action—Carbin v. Somerville. For Thursday, 26th March. Action—Reinhardt v. Dublin Corporation.
In Court No 3, at 11 o'clock. Revenue Petitions—In the matter of the Finance Act, 1894, and in the matter of Four Policies of Assurances for £1,000 each effected by Elizabeth Coulter, Sherwin, and M'Culloch, deceased; in the matter of the Finance Act, 1894, and in the matter of the Estate Duty on the property passing on the death of the Right Hon. Valentine Frederick Baron Clonmorry. On Notice—The State (Murray) v. Circuit Judge of Co. Wicklow; the State (Kerry Co. Council and others) v. the Minister for Local Government and Public Health, and in the matter of the Courts of Justice Act, 1924; the State (G.S. Railways) v. Leitrim Co. Council. Cases Stated—Delany, Morgan and Leheny, complainants, Nugent and others, defendants.
MAISTIR NA hARD-CHUIRTE.
(The Master of the High Court.)
Before the Master, at 11 o'clock. Motions of Course. Summary Summonses—Patrick Fegan, deceased, and Anne Fegan, deceased, Murphy v. Murphy; Bloomfield's Trusts and the Trustee Act, 1893; James Dwyer, deceased, Dwyer v. Dwyer; Kirkpatrick v. Bond; Ward v. Webb; Watkins, Jamieson, Pim and Co., Ltd., v. O'Brien; Macardle, Moore and Co., Ltd., v. Kinane; C. C. Wakefield and Co., Ltd., v. Irish Automobile Stations, Ltd.; O'Connor v. Deane; Nash v. Browne; Madden v. Condon. Notices of Motion—The Revenue Commissioners v. Egan; M'Cormack v. M'Quaide; M'Keever v. Waters; Pollock v. Pollock.
OIFIG AN SCRUDAIRA
(The Examiners' Office.)
Mr. Healy (Room 61), at 11 o'clock—Royal Bank of Ireland, Ltd., v. Morrin, sign cert.; J. M'Cormick, deceased, M'Cormick v. Crawford; Munster and Leinster Bank, Ltd., v. Lawler; E. Shore, deceased, National Bank, Ltd., v. Poe; Ulster Bank, Ltd., v. Hull; Finlay v. Finlay; J. A. O'Connor, deceased, Ryan v. O'Hanlon; T. J. Little, deceased, Lawless v. Little; L. J. Barry, deceased, Barry v. Fleming; J. Carberry, deceased, Robinson v. O'Connor; W. B. Rolston, deceased, Lush v. Rolston; J. J. Russell, deceased, Dundalk Gas Co. v. Russell; Dunlop v. Muldoon.
Mr. Adderley (Room 17), at 11 o'clock—National City Bank, Ltd., v. Garland; T. Lloyd, deceased, Lloyd v. Lloyd; P. Garry, deceased, Garry v. Garry; M. Coman, deceased, Molony v. Coman; M. Smith, deceased, Smith v. Smith; M. Lee, deceased, Clarke v. Clarke; E. Bermingham, deceased, Berningham v. Carr.
Mr. Greville (Room 61), at 11 o'clock—Northern Bank, Ltd., v. O'Reilly; Castlebellingham and Drogheda Breweries, Ltd., v. M'Donough; R. Thynne, deceased, Attorney-General v. Patton.
Mr. Crump (Room 17), at 11 o'clock—A. Bishop, deceased, M'Carthy v. M'Donald.
Mr. Murtagh (Room 21a), at 11 o'clock—J. T. Ruggard, deceased, Vaughan v. Ruggard; C. E. Wardell, deceased, Wardell v. Farrell.
OIFIG AN MHAISTIR MHEASAIREACHTA.
(The Taxing Masters' Office.)
Master Benning, at 11 o'clock. Ex parte taxations—Riall's estate, W. Guest, Lane and Co.; Fitzgerald's estate, Carlan, O'Meara and Kieran; Ahern, Ryan and Co., to Tynan, M. Tynan; Stewart v. Gordon, Molloy, Fayle and Co.; same v. same, W. P. Corrigan; same v. same, S. Gordon.
Master O'Hanlon, at 11 o'clock—Fermoy Co-Operative Society, Rice and Son; Mellody v. Coady, H. Concannon and Co.; Cullen v. Brennan, J. P. Kennedy; Carter's estate, Reeves and Son; Atkin's estate, J. O'Leary; same, J. H. Powell and Son; Kerr v. Smith, C. B. W. Boyle; Doyle v. Merchants' Warehousing Co., C. B. W. Boyle; Hudson v. Dublin Corporation, McLoughlin and Son; same v. same, A. Lane-Joynt.
BANKRUPTCY
(Before the Registrar.)
At 11 o'clock—Dunleavy, vouch account, A. T. Ellis; Hartnett, vouch account, Collins and Son; arrangement, vouch account, C. B. W. Boyle; arrangement, vouch mortgagee account, C. B. W. Boyle; Gargan, vouch mortgagee account, Matheson, Ormsby and Prentice.
IRISH LAND COMMISSION.
(Examiners' Chambers, at 93 Merrion square.)
Before Mr. Jeffrey White, at 11 o'clock—John P. Whitty (8. 2011), discharge rulings. At 3.15 o'clock—John M. O'Brien (8. 5189), discharge rulings.
Before Mr. Sullivan, at 11 o'clock—H. G. Warren-Perry (8. 872), discharge rulings. At 12 o'clock—Dudley estate (8. 1726) (Maxwell Rent), discharge rulings.
Before Mr. Grove White, at 11 o'clock—James F. Kelly (8. 6412), vouch. At 3 o'clock—T. J. M. Eager, settle schedule.
THE COURT OF THE RAILWAY TRIBUNAL.
For Thursday, 19th March (in Room 71), at 11 o'clock. Summonses for directions — In the matter of — The Great Southern Railways Co., applicants, City of Cork Steam Packet Co., respondents.
CENTRAL CRIMINAL COURT.
(At Green street, Dublin.)
Before Mr. Justice Johnston, this day, at 11 o'clock—Jurors numbered 1 to 200 are requested to attend to-day. Jurors numbered 201 to 400 need not attend until Monday, the 23rd inst. Jurors can have their attendance recorded between 10.30 and 11 o'clock a.m. before the County Registrar in court on each day during the sittings.
AN CHUIRT BHREITHEAMHNAIS CHUARDA
(Circuit Court of Justice.)
Before Judge Shannon, at Dublin Castle, in Court No. 7, at 11 o'clock—Kelly v. Neary (motion). Workmen's Compensation Act, 1906—Francis Chapman, applicant, Dublin Greyhound Association, respondents; Daniel Collier, applicant, B. and I. Steam Packet Co., respondents; Pulgrave Murphy and Co., applicants, Patrick Bermingham, respondent. Civil Actions—Farrell v. Fitzgerald and Leonard; Hicken v. Gannon; Hutton v. Duggan; Hayward v. Arnold and others (settled); Ham v. M. and L. Bank, Ltd.; Edenderry Co.Op. Creamery, Ltd., v. I.O.C., Ltd.; I.O.C., Ltd., v. Edenderry Co-Op. Creamery, Ltd.
Before Judge Roche, at Dublin Castle, in Court No. 5, at 11 o'clock. Equity—Phillips v. Phillips. Civil action—Talbot v. Griffin. Appeal from District Justice—Lenehan v. Murphy; same v. same. Ejectments—Mulcahy v. Ryan; McQuillan v. Gurevitch; Royal Exchange Corporation v. Flanagan; Hayden v. Roche; Burke v. Dutchinson, Minister of Finance v. Corr; Rogers v. McDonnell and another; same v. same; Laird v. Mooney.
Before Judge Shannon, for Thursday, 19th March, at Dublin Castle, at 11 o'clock. Appeals from District Court—Gilton v. Gilton (appellant); Madden 105B v. Tanham (appellant); Sherlock v. Fitzgerald (appellant). Civil Actions—Higgins v. Cohen; Isaac v. Kelly; same v. Byrne; same v. Dwyer; Jones v. David Allen and Sons; Kinsella v. Waddell; Kerr v. Woods.
Before Judge Roche, at Dublin Castle, for Thursday, 19th March, at 11 o'clock. Ejectments—The Irish Civil Service (Permanent) Building Society v. McArthur; same v. McRann; same v. Lowry (jun.); same v. Murphy; Walsh v. Murtagh; Delaney v. Reps. of John O'Neill, deceased; Roche's Stores, Dublin, Ltd., v. Finlay; Clare v. Watson; Bourke v. Hughes; Doran v. Keogh; Hardiman v. O'Halloran; Boylan v. Culleton; same v. Fulham; England v. Grimes; Best v. Fox; Gibney v. Barrington; Whitten v. Doyle; Best v. McHugh.

DUBLIN CIRCUIT COURT.

Edwin Claude Thick (26) was charged at Birmingham Assizes yesterday, before Mr. Justice Avory, with the murder of his wife, Ivy Emma Thick (aged 23), between August 25 and 29 last at their home in King's road. The dismembered and decomposed remains of a woman were found by detectives in a wall cavity at the house on November 27, and the body, it is alleged, was that of Mrs. Thick. After evidence had been heard, the jury disagreed, and the case was postponed till next assizes.

The finding of a memorial stone from the grave in Henley Cemetery of an officer who died from wounds in a ditch at Kidlington, thirty miles away, is being investigated by the Oxfordshire police.

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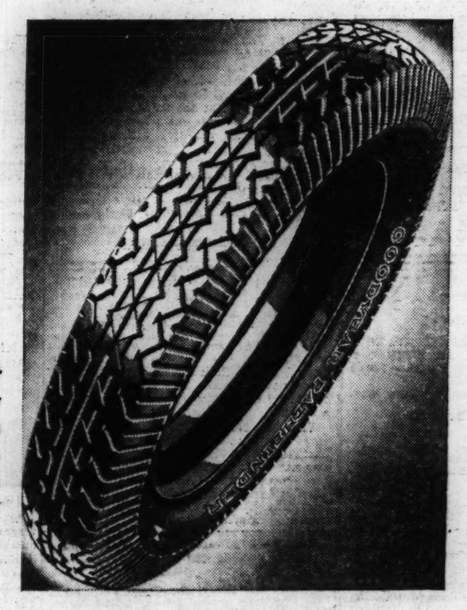

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IN THE NORTHERN CAPITAL.

Northern Education : Dairy Farming : Unlicensed Dogs : An Irish Confederation.

BY OUR SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Monday.

THE Marquess of Londonderry continues to take a deep interest in the working of the Education Act of 1923, which bears his name, and anything calculated to enhance its value has his cordial support. Although the measure has lost a number of its original features through demands for amendment, it is still of enormous benefit to the development of education in elementary schools, and quite recently Lord Londonderry expressed the conviction that its influence for good would go on increasing with the passage of the years. He is not unmindful of his old associations with the Belfast Corporation, and he has just written to Mr. D. Lyle Hall, chairman of the Education Committee, wishing him a successful year of office.

The financial arrangements already have been made for this year's educational expenditure in the city, but in many quarters there is an impression that the suggested restriction in the building of new schools is not a wise policy to pursue in view of the urgent need for better accommodation for the pupils. The Corporation has been told by the Government that any additional expense incurred beyond a certain limit will have to be borne by the ratepayers; but it is unlikely that the children will be made the victims of an economy campaign.

MARQUESS OF LONDONDERRY.

THE PATH OF REFORM.

The severe criticism of the Home Office administration by temperance reformers in Belfast last week is still a subject of general comment in the city, and there is a great deal of curiosity as to possible developments. Three important committees of the General Assembly of the Presbyterian Church are considering the question, and they are determined that the laws relating to licensing and betting shall not be "mocked and broken" if they can do anything to prevent it. In this particular respect they are not calling for new laws so much as that the existing laws shall be rigidly enforced, which seems to be quite a reasonable claim.

It should not be forgotten, however, that more far-reaching demands are being made by the Temperance Party, some of whom advocate local option as a preliminary measure, while others are out-and-out prohibitionists. It is pointed out that prohibition, with a long open border to be considered, would be futile, and the optimists look to the time when the Free State will co-operate with Ulster in temperance legislation for all Ireland.

The vision of an army of "bootleggers" rioting across the border is not pleasant to contemplate even by the extremists. As illustrating the steady decline of the licensing trade in the North, it may be mentioned that the amount spent on strong drink is £3 *per* head of the population; in Southern Ireland it is £5 *per* head; and in Great Britain it is £6 10s. *per* head. Thus, Ulster leads in the path of reform.

"SUNSHINE THROUGH GLOOM."

The importance of the dairy side of farming has been stressed frequently by Sir Edward Archdale, who guides the operations of the Northern Ministry of Agriculture. The wisdom of his suggestions has been proved by the enhanced value of Ulster butter and eggs and other produce in the British markets; and the Central Milk Recording Society of Northern Ireland, of which Sir Edward was president last year, also has a pleasant story to tell of progress and increasing prosperity. Its members are mostly enthusiastic young farmers, led by a number of veteran agriculturists, who see in improved methods of production of milk and in the scientific selection of animals—weeding out the deficient—the best way to place their business on a sound and paying basis.

At their annual meeting in Belfast the other day it was pointed out that in the twenty best herds recorded the results showed an increase of sixty gallons of milk *per* cow as compared with the figures for the previous year. The amount may not be very large, but it is an increasing quantity, and shows that the Society is working along right lines. Adapting themselves to changing circumstances, this band of farmers are endeavouring through cattle improvement and a modern system of dairying to better their condition, so that when crops fail they may have something else to tide over bad times. As Mr. Rowley Elliott, M.P., their new president, told them, they are beginning to see a little sunshine through the gloom. The scheme of milk recording would be beneficial in every part of Ireland.

THE PREMIER'S PROPHECY.

The business outlook must be very gloomy indeed when even Lord Craigavon, usually so cheerful, foreshadows a distressing time for industry during the coming year—worse probably, than at any period since the war. He says that it will be better for the people to tighten their belts one or two holes now rather than to have to tighten them to the last hole later on. This was his advice, given at Newry during the week-end. The revenue of the province is diminishing steadily, and it is anticipated that during the next financial year it will be very much lower than it has been for a long time past. Should the imperial contribution reach vanishing point, the situation would be unpleasant, and, as the Government is determined not to borrow money to balance the Budget, there may be need for the Premier's advice.

AMONG THE TAIL-WAGGERS.

The dog population of Belfast has many friends who take an interest in its welfare. As the time approaches for taking out licences there is anxiety in numerous poor homes, as money is scarce, and it is difficult to raise the necessary amount. The law, however, shows no favour, and in the past hundreds of dogs have met an untimely fate. Indeed, there are some people who seem to rejoice in this and advocate publicly that 75 *per cent.* of the dogs in the city should be sent to the lethal chamber. There are others, however, who take a different view, and a committee, headed by Mr. James Nesbitt, J.P., has organised an "Assisted Dog Licence Fund," out of which poverty-stricken owners are helped to pay the tax, and, in cases where necessary, the full amount of the licence is freely paid.

It is one of the sights of the city to see Mr. Nesbitt's premises besieged by hundreds of workless dog-owners when cases are being considered. No deserving application for assistance is turned down, and it is a happy feature of the movement that many prominent men are associated with the subscription list. Last week Sir Robert Meyer, City Town Clerk, who is deeply interested in the doggy world, sent in a brilliant original sketch of a dog by Louis Wain, to be sold by auction for the benefit of the fund.

AN IRISH CONFEDERATION?

Is Northern Ireland in an eighteenth century position? That, at least, is the opinion of Captain Denis Ireland, a prominent Belfast merchant, who contested East Belfast in the Liberal interest at the last general election. He suggests that people should work for an Irish confederation, which, while restoring the single economic unit of Ireland and gaining for the Six Counties a voice in the affairs of Ireland as a whole, would reserve certain disputed matters like education and compulsory Gaelic to a reduced Six-County Legislature.

Until that happens, however, Captain Ireland thinks that Northern Ireland should control her own finances and affairs, while there should be greater initiative on the part of the State in relation to agriculture co-operation, electrical development, rationalisation of the linen industry, and the study of the functions of modern banking in other countries. Certainly there are many ways in which the North could co-operate with the South, without loss of dignity to anyone, and with profit to all concerned.

THE SOCIAL ROUND.

The dance organised by the Belfast branch of the Overseas League will take place in the Carlton Hall on Friday, 27th inst. Lady Katharine Seymour is at present abroad, and will, therefore, be unable to attend; but it is expected that her mother, the Duchess of Abercorn, will be present.

On the following day the Duchess of Abercorn will open the 1st Holywood Girl Guides' new premises at Park Drive in the Maypole town.

A dance in aid of the forthcoming Unionist Fête will be given at Orangefield on 17th April, the residence of Captain Herbert Dixon, M.P., and the Hon. Mrs. Herbert Dixon. This is expected to be an unusually attractive event.

An at home will be given in the Unionist headquarters on Wednesday afternoon, 18th inst., by the Ulster Women's Unionist Council, of which Viscountess Craigavon is president. An interesting musical programme has been arranged.

IRISH NURSES' DANCE.

A group photographed at the Irish Nurses' Association's dance in the Metropole Ballroom, Dublin, last night. Included are Dr. Hosey, Mrs. Kettle, Mrs. Walshe, Mrs. Russel, Mrs. Kustor, Miss Feenan, Dr. Russel, Dr. Walshe, Mrs. McWhinney (Secretary), Miss Moran.

AN IRISHMAN'S DIARY.

Kentucky Irishmen : Rats : St. Patrick's Day : Portobello House. Versifiers of Dublin : Domestic Windmills : "Index Animalium". Mr. Cahir Healy.

St. Patrick's Day in England.

It is curious that St. Patrick's Day is celebrated so much more cheerfully in other lands than in our own. As usual, the Irish organisations in London and in some of the chief provincial cities in England have made elaborate preparations for to-night.

The Four Provinces Club in London will not be able to assemble to-night, as in former years, at the Hotel Cecil, which has been taken over for other purposes, and their function will now be held at the Mayfair Hotel. Sir Thomas Neill, the president, will be in the chair, and a long list of distinguished guests includes the Spanish, American and Italian Ambassadors; Mr. J. W. Dulanty, the High Commissioner of the Irish Free State, and many prominent politicians. The principal toast will be given by Mr. J. H. Thomas, Secretary for the Dominions.

The Irish Club will also have many distinguished public personages at their function. These are expected to include Sir John Lavery, Lord and Lady Hailsham, Sir Malcolm and Lady Campbell, in addition to the Home Secretary, Miss Jenny Lee, M.P., and Mr. R. M. Tisdall.

The National University of Ireland, as I have already announced, will have as one of their guests Mr. Hilaire Belloc. There will be a special St. Patrick's Day Service, under the auspices of the Gaelic League, on Sunday next. At the Hull function the toast of "Ireland" will be given by the Bishop of Middlesbrough, who is an Irishman.

St. Patrick and Noah.

In mediæval times March 17th not only was dedicated to St. Patrick, but was celebrated throughout the British Isles as the anniversary of Noah's entry into the ark. A very busy day that must have been for the old shipbuilder if the evidences of the morality plays produced on the anniversary can be accepted. In these Mrs. Noah almost invariably figured as a typical shrew, causing all sorts of trouble. In one of the most famous of the plays, when Noah tells his wife the flood is coming, she sneers at his credulity. Words lead on to blows, in which the husband gets the worst of it and retires to build his ark. When the vessel is finished, Mrs. Noah refuses to enter, and finally her sons have to carry her aboard, kicking and screaming. Noah greets her with a conciliatory, "Welcome, wife, unto this boat," and in response receives a swinging whack across the head, which draws from him the lament:

> Lord, that women be crabbed, aye.
> And none are meek, I dare well say.

This rough and tumble farce was designed to enliven for the ignorant multitude the teaching of Biblical history.

The Sentiment of the Day.

Shamrock is not the only thing that the exile may receive on St. Patrick's Day. Our shops are at present filled with favours, picture postcards, and little cottages carved out of turf, most of which are, no doubt, destined for England or America. I commented a few days ago on the artistry, or lack thereof, displayed in these objects.

Few gifts, however, make such a determined appeal to local sentiment as one which I noticed recently in Cork. An enterprising firm will supply you with a piece of shamrock, a pebble from Bantry, an ivy-leaf from Bandon, a blade of grass from Spike Island, a rather exhausted flower from Berehaven, and a fragment of the Blarney Stone—all for sixpence.

Patrick's Crosses.

I notice that many stationers are making a special display of greeting cards for St. Patrick's Day. These cards are, of course, intended for despatch to friends abroad. I observe also that there is a revival of the old-fashioned "Patrick's crosses." These "crosses," which frequently take the shape of harps in green and gold, were formerly worn on the shoulders of little boys and girls. Nowadays they are termed "Patrick's Day favours."

Animals Arranged.

The announcement that Oxford University is about to confer the degree of Doctor of Science, *honoris causa*, upon Mr. C. Davies Sherborn, calls our attention to a life devoted to science. This high honour is being conferred upon him for his "*Index Animalium*," on which he has been engaged for forty years.

In the seventeenth century Linnæus evolved a system under which every species of animal or plant received two names, the first indicating the genus to which the organism belonged, and the second the individual species. Under this system he classified 4,370 species of animals. As time went on, however, it became increasingly difficult to discover whether a species had already been described or not, and many species were described by successive naturalists under different names.

In 1890 Mr. C. Davies Sherborn began to prepare his exhaustive index of all the scientific names applied to animals by naturalists from the time of Linnæus to 1850, with the exact date and place of publication. The work has now been completed, and is said to record the names of half a million species.

Irish General's New Post.

General Sir Archibald Armar Montgomery-Massingberd, K.C.B., K.C.V.O., who has been gazetted as Adjutant-General to the Forces, War Office, London, is a son of the late Right Hon. Hugh de Fellenberg-Montgomery, formerly of Blessingbourne, County Tyrone.

The General, who assumed the additional surname of Massingberd five years ago, is sixty years of age, and was educated at Charterhouse. He served in the South African and the European wars, and in 1920 became Deputy Chief of Staff in India. Two years later he was appointed to the command of the 53rd Welsh Division (T.A.), and a few months later was given command of the 1st Division at Aldershot.

In 1926 he was promoted to the rank of Lieutenant-General, and in 1928 became General Officer over the Southern Command.

Dual M.P.'s.

By his unopposed election to the House of Commons as Nationalist member for Fermanagh and Tyrone, Mr. Cahir Healy becomes the third member of the present Northern Ireland Parliament to hold a seat simultaneously at Westminster. The other members to have this dual distinction are Captain Herbert Dixon, the Northern Government's Chief Whip at Belfast, and Mr. Joseph Devlin, the fiery little leader of the Nationalist Party, who, during the interval between Mr. T. J. Harbison's death and Mr. Healy's election, has been the only representative of Irish Nationalism in the British House. Mr. Thomas Henderson, who sits in the Northern Parliament as an Independent Unionist, and is also a member of the Belfast Corporation, was another candidate for a Westminster seat at the last general election, but without success. As the Nationalists profess contempt for what Mr. Devlin refers to as the "petty Parliament" of Belfast, it is likely that Mr. Healy will follow his leader's example and devote most of his attention to the Imperial Legislature, reserving his attendances at the local assembly for occasions upon which exceptionally contentious measures are being discussed. Unionist members who held duplicate seats have, on the contrary, made it a practice to give primary attention to affairs in the Northern Ireland Parliament, though an exception was made during the term of the last Parliament, when the great Prayer-book controversy was raging. On that occasion the then Speaker of the Northern Commons, Sir Hugh O'Neill, who also represented Co. Antrim in the Imperial House, doffed his wig and robes and joined the other Ulster Unionists at Westminster in helping to defeat the proposed alterations.

MR. CAHIR HEALY.

The Battle for Reform.

Students of English political history cannot fail to be deeply interested in dipping into the pages of Hansard or of daily papers of a hundred years ago. In March the great parliamentary battle on the question of reform was being waged in the Lower House. On the 22nd of the month, when the division on the second reading was taken, all the Irish representatives were present except six—the members for the boroughs of Dundalk Enniskillen, Ennis, New Ross, and those for Counties Carlow and Donegal. At the time there were two seats vacant, and of the ninety-two who were in the House when the division bell rang, fifty-five voted for the bill and thirty-seven against it. It was the influence of O'Connell, who then represented Waterford County, and of Sir Thomas Wyse, a Tipperary member, which brought most of the Irish representatives into the "Aye" Lobby. It is worthy of remark that the great landlords who stood for towns now intensely Nationalist, like Clonmel, Wexford, Athlone, Newry, Cashel, Carlow and Sligo, were among the Opposition. The absence from the House of so prominent a figure as William Smith O'Brien, who stood for Ennis, lost him much of the good-will of the popular party, and made him ever after suspect with O'Connell.

Rural Spring Cleaning.

Motoring in the country a few days ago, I observed a number of farmers and cottagers spring cleaning the exterior of their homes. The freshly white-washed houses looked charming and gave a picturesque appearance to the landscape. It has always been a pleasing country custom to have everything clean and tidy just before Easter. Furthermore, at a southern seaport recently I noticed a Liverpool steamer discharging large consignments of paint, distemper and linoleum. On fair days the farmers' carts may be seen wending their way homewards laden with rolls of oilcloth, pots of paint and parcels of wallpaper.

Windmills as Homes.

Houses are constructed nowadays out of all sorts of strange buildings, such as lighthouses and Martello towers, but one of the quaintest I have seen was in East Anglia, and was a converted windmill. The owner was delighted with his home, which was as snug as a ship, in spite of the fact there were no flat walls against which to place furniture, but then his windmill was one of the later types, built of solid brick, and known as "tower" mills. The earlier kinds were usually wooden—the most primitive were the so-called "post" mills, on account of the revolution of the whole structure round a central post. Then, in the thirteenth century, the "smock" mill was evolved, of which only the cap turned in the wind. There seem to be few windmills left in Ireland, but I advise the person who chances on one for sale to snap it up at once, and he will have one of the most charming homes imaginable.

"Dublin Doggerels."

Industry in book-hunting is usually a tantalising and disappointing quest; but the other day (writes a correspondent) a long-sought little book, "Dublin Doggerels," peeped at me from a barrow, and, without waiting to ensure myself of its completeness, I parted with the coin requested. A glance at its blithe and breezy effusions, full of the sentiment of a man who knew and loved his Dublin, her citizens and historic institutions, with an ardent civic pride, makes one regret that there are no sprightly local versifiers like Edwin Hamilton, to bring a pretty, but not too caustic, wit to bear on some of our present-day pretensions and frivolities. His pen was always able to turn out a piquant stanza on whatever trifle occupied his thoughts—colour, atmosphere and zestful persiflage were stamped on all his compositions. Still, were he with us, his "St. Patrick's Day" would breathe a less convivial spirit than the song of that name which he wrote in his post-graduate days.

Sunday Observance.

The commotion which has been aroused in England over Sunday observance has one peculiar parallel in the past.

Nearly a hundred years ago there was introduced in the House of Commons a Sunday Observance Bill of a particularly puritanical brand. The bill, however, is only interesting on account of a pamphlet which it prompted. It was entitled, "Sunday Under Three Heads: As it is: As Sabbath Bills would make it: As it may be." The author signed himself "Timothy Sparkes," but later became known to the world as Charles Dickens. In this pamphlet he was already at work on his favourite pastime of "exposing cant and humbug."

Portobello House.

I had occasion recently to visit a friend recovering from an illness in the Portobello House, which overlooks Portobello Bridge, and in the course of our conversation she recalled occasions in the past when she used to be in the same building. That would have been about thirty-eight years ago, and at that time the building was a hotel, although almost empty and past its heyday as one of the city's most prosperous establishments. She was then a member of a club that used to meet once a week in one of the rooms for dancing.

Years before the railways had been built, when travellers from the South of Ireland came up to Dublin by water, the Portobello Hotel constituted a famous and welcome landmark at journey's end.

Irish in Kentucky.

The American statesman, Henry Clay, once declared that in the landscape of Kentucky, with its woods, rolling mountains, and fields of blue-green grass he saw the Ireland of America. As if to bear out his contention, the early history of the State may be said to have been made by Irishmen. James McBride, the first white man to paddle up the Kentucky River, was followed by the famous pioneer, Daniel Boone, who was accompanied by three adventurous Irishmen. Most of the early fortified stations bore Irish names, while other sons of Erin are commemorated in the names of eleven of the present county divisions of Kentucky. Almost every Irish name was said to be represented in the State during its early days, and a glance at a voting list would make the exile think that he was back once more in his native country.

Cat and Rat.

The Central Market at Alexanderplatz, Berlin, is infested with rats, and the market authorities have been carrying on a campaign against them with the aid of poison. Recently certain stray cats have been prowling about the market place. Their activities have been greeted with approval by the authorities, and it has been decided to appoint them as "official cats." In return for their services they will receive a daily milk ration. They will also wear official collars of red and white, the city colours. Mischievous youths found tormenting them will receive a short shrift.

QUIDNUNC.

A FILM OF THE WEEK.

MAURICE CHEVALIER AT THE CAPITOL.

BY OUR CINEMA CORRESPONDENT.

The fascination of Maurice Chevalier, now one of the most popular personalities of the screen, is entirely a matter of accent and smile. His English has that lisping quality which only French people seem to have as a natural gift, and this alone is worth many hundreds of thousands of dollars in the estimation of Hollywood directors. It is being exploited also on the stage in England by Alice Delysia, who has found it quite a remunerative gift to be used upon English audiences.

Both these artists have that *insouciance* and *abandon* which are characteristic of the Paris music hall, and are so very attractive to British and American audiences in theatre or cinema. With Chevalier, *insouciant* behaviour is accompanied by a winning smile that even the most hardened cinema-goer would find it difficult to resist. He can dance, too, but it would not be urged by his greatest admirer that he has a good singing voice. With the songs of the *café chantant*, he can do well enough, but audiences may tremble when they are asked—if they ever are asked—to hear him in anything other than these.

GREATER OPPORTUNITY NEEDED.

In "The Big Pond," which has proved popular enough to be retained for a second week at the Capitol, he has little or no singing to do—just a couple of songs which might as easily be sung as said. In one of these, "You Brought a New Kind of Love to Me," he has a kind of "theme song"; but it is in "Having a Wonderful Time" that he may be heard at his best. Here he has no dancing to do, except it be held that the capers which he cuts in his own bedroom to mark his joy at a discovery is dancing.

On the whole, while he is not at his best, Chevalier is as irresistible as ever in "The Big Pond"; but a better story, and more sympathetic direction, would probably have provided him with greater opportunity for the display of his inimitable talents. On the screen to-day there is no one with quite the same kind of appeal, and in consequence greater efforts should be made to find material worthy of his peculiar genius. There is little or nothing of the personal glamour of "The Love Parade" or "The Roofs of Paris" in the paltry story of "The Big Pond."

"The Big Pond" is, of course, the Atlantic Ocean, across which Barbara Billings had come to Venice in search of romance. She met it in the guise of Pierre Morande, the French guide, who sang to her in a gondola as they floated languidly on the moonlit canals. But Barbara's father would have none of her love-making with worthless folks; a man must "make good" to the extent of at least 20,000 "bucks" a year before he would consent to hear of him as a possible son-in-law. In the hope that Pierre would break under the strain, he is offered a position in the Billings chewing-gum factory in America, and he is started there in the lowest and most arduous work. Like Mr. Brisling, he "sees it through," but a lucky accident gives him the grip on his 20,000 dollars. His foreman, an Irishman, endeavoured to reach a private whiskey supply and accidentally fell, breaking the precious bottle. Billings came to the factory and discovered a foreigner engaged in the nefarious practice of undermining the United States Constitution, and "fired" the culprit at once.

"7" GUM AND FLAVOUR.

Absent-mindedly, Pierre began to chew a piece of the gum that had been soaked in the whiskey, and fortune was within his grasp. The Billings gum could be marketed in all the flavours from "Scotch" to "Champagne," so that gum-chewers could have all the flavour "and none of the kick" of their favourite beverages. The great sales campaign was begun, and Pierre got his 20,000 dollars salary, after he had converted his Venetian love-song into one designed to sell Billings chewing-gum—"I've Brought a New Kind of Gum to You." Then Barbara threw him over, because he had become a "typical American business man," while she sought romance and glamour. Pointing to the array of pencils and pens in his pocket, she says, "You're like a pipe-organ." In his boarding-house Pierre is reminded of how princes behave in fairy tales, so he, too, kidnaps his Barbara; and they leave for Cleveland "on business."

No doubt, as he says in this film, Maurice Chevalier will "speak Americ-an," but if he does, much of his screen popularity will desert him.

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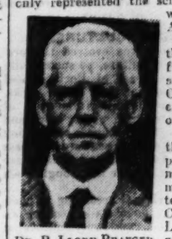

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HONORARY MEMBERS.

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The proceedings ended.

AT THE MEET.

Lord and Lady Ossory photographed at a recent meet of the Kilkenny Hounds. The hunt has many English visitors this season.

SIR OLIVER LODGE'S NEW THEORY.

Sir Oliver Lodge elaborated a new suggestion on the "Interaction of Life and Matter" when speaking at the Imperial College Literary and Debating Society yesterday.

"There has recently been discovered or suspected," he said, "a physical agent which exerts guidance without imparting energy that might serve as the instrument for life and mind, and is more at home in space than in association with material objects, such as the bodies of animals and men.

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"There is some doubt whether the ether ought to be called substance," he said. "It differs from every substance so far known, yet is very fundamental, and therefore substantial.

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"It was found that in electricity, in magnetism, and in light, the really effective medium, whatever it was, existed in space-time, and that the movements of the particles of matter were only an index, a demonstration, a phenomenon which could be observed, and it was found that the perceptible motions of matter were consequent upon the real phenomenon which was operative in that which appealed to our senses as empty space.

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Thomas Dillon, M.A., D.Sc.—Professor of Chemistry in University College, Galway. Author of many papers on chemical subjects. At present engaged in research on the utilisation of the chemical products of seaweed.

Robin Flower, B.A.—Deputy Keeper of MSS., British Museum, Croydon. Well-known Irish scholar. Author of the second volume of the Catalogue of Irish MSS. in the British Museum and numerous papers on Irish philology, etc.

Rev. H. V. Gill, S.J., M.A., M.Sc.—Author of numerous papers on physics and geophysics.

Rev. John Ludwig G. Meissner, M.A., barrister-at-law — Author of "The Celtic Church in England."

Eamonn O Tuathail, M.A.—Professor of Irish in Dublin University. Has edited numerous Irish poems.

John Hewitt Jellett Poole, M.A., B.A.I., Sc.D.—Lecturer in Physics in Trinity College, Dublin. Author of numerous papers on physics and geophysics.

HONORARY MEMBERS.

Erwin Schrödinger (Berlin)—Distinguished work in theoretical physics.

Ludwig Diels (Berlin)—Eminent work in systematic botany.

Duke of Berwick and Alba (Madrid)—Director of the Real Academia de la Historia. Has published and edited various works on history, art, etc.

The proceedings ended.

THE QUEEN.

PURCHASE OF A HOUSE

The Press Association learnt yesterday that the Queen has been interested in the purchase of a house, 32 Green street, Mayfair, W. The house was the property of Mr. T. O. M. Sopwith, the aviation expert. Statements that the Queen has purchased the house for Prince George, her youngest son, are officially denied at Buckingham Palace.

It is understood that the house has been purchased in connection with certain rearrangements which are taking place with regard to certain of the Crown properties, but no member of the Royal Family will take up residence at the house.

OLYMPIA THEATRE.

A MUSICAL SKETCH.

One of the best-known of Irish revue producers, Mr. Tom Powell, presents "All Ont" at the Olympia this week. The show, which is described on the programme as a "Revusical extravaganza of mirth and melody," was played before an appreciative audience last night. From the opening scene, "The New York Dublin Club," to the final curtain, the humour was sustained. The melody unstinted, and the production lavish. Harry Lino was the chief laughter-maker, and was well assisted by Dick Forbes, a well-known Cork comedian. Mr. A. J. O'Farrell contributed several very pleasing vocal items.

BROADCASTING.

SPECIAL ITEMS.

2.15—Relay of Comment on Munster v. Leinster Hurling and Football Finals from Croke Park (Dublin).

7.45—Liverpool Philharmonic Society's Concert (Northern Region).

9.40—St. Patrick's Day Programme (Belfast).

DUBLIN (2RN)—413 Metres.

2.15—Relay of Running Commentary on Munster and Leinster Hurling and Football final from Croke Park. **6.0**—No. 1 Army Band, conductor, Lieutenant J. M. Doyle: Irish Rhapsodie (V. Herbert); "Lament for Youth" (Larchet), "Molly on the Shore" (Grainger); "Irish Rhapsodie" (Stanford); "Songs of the Gael" (O'Donnell). **7.0**—Eilis Denn (contralto): "Suibhal a ghradh" (Clandillon); "Taim breoite go leor" (Trad.); "Spailpin a Rúin" (Hazeldieck). **7.15**—Drama. "An Cleamhnas"; "Aistriughad o'n drama Grinn sa Ruisis le Anton Tchekov." "Aistrighthe ag Muiris O Cathain," Maire Ni Oisin, Muiris O Cathain, Raudhi, ni Maeflidila Cionnaigh. **7.45**—Gaelic Concert: Traditional Trio and Gaelic Vocal Quartet. **9.15**—Padraig MacFlannchadh Sean O Laoghaire—Uilleann Pipes and Fiddle—Irish traditional music, including Highland hornpipe, Jackson's morning rush, D jig; First House in Connaught, reel; Green Mountain, reel; Bruach na Sure, air. **9.30**—Augmented Orchestra in a Concert of Irish Composers. Conductor, Mr. Vincent O'Brien; vocalists, P. J. Duffy (baritone), N. O'Connell Redmond (tenor), J. C. Browner (bass); Annie Fegan (harp. Orchestra: Hymn of St. Patrick, Taitleann Ode. **11.0**—News and Weather. **11.10

County Down Murder Trial Fixed for To-morrow.

References by Judge at the Opening of the Assizes.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Monday.

MR. JUSTICE WILSON, opening the Down Assizes at Downpatrick to-day, referred, in his address to the Grand Jury, to the Dromara affair, in connection with which two men, named Kennedy and Morrison, of the tramp class, are charged with the murder of an elderly woman, Miss Ellen Maguire, on February 27 last.

The Judge said that the old lady lived alone in a house 300 yards off the county road, at a place near Dromara. It appeared that the old lady was about 76 years of age, but she was still hale and hearty, and had a reputation in the neighbourhood of having a considerable quantity of money.

These two men, Morrison and Kennedy, it appeared from the depositions, were tramps. One of them either originally came from Ballynahinch, or his people lived there. The other man, Kennedy, was alleged to have come from Athlone. They left Ballynahinch on the morning of February 27, and went along the road from Dromara. It was clear from the depositions that they then had very little money. They got into Dromara, and spent some time there, and then they were traced to the rector's house and another house. Eventually, having spent most of the day in Dromara, they went to the house of a man called Hawthorne. They left his house about six o'clock in the evening, and then it was alleged they came back and turned in the direction in which the old lady lived. Morrison was seen close to the entrance to Miss Maguire's house at seven o'clock that evening. Nothing more was seen of them until they were found together in Dromore.

MIDNIGHT LIGHT.

On that day Miss Maguire had been down at a neighbour's house in the morning. She had been seen about three o'clock that day going to the well to get water. Nothing unusual was observed until that night, when a neighbour who was on his way home saw a light in the house about 11 o'clock, and again about midnight. He thought that very unusual, as the old lady generally went to bed by sundown. He did nothing then, however, but next day he went to the house and found the door locked. He made his way in through the window and found the poor old lady lying not far from the door, with her hands tied together and with cloths wound round her mouth and nose. Having discovered this, he sent for the police, and they sent for a doctor. When the doctor arrived he said that she undoubtedly was suffocated, and that these cloths were so wrapped that she must have been suffocated in a very few minutes. A box in her bedroom where she kept notes and gold was broken open, and a good deal of money was taken away.

ARRESTED IN FREE STATE.

The two accused men disappeared, and the police proceeded to get on their track, and discovered that they had arrived in Dromore that evening very anxious to change sovereigns and half-sovereigns. That was not a very common form of money at the present time. They eventually succeeded in getting a half-sovereign changed, and stayed in a house there for a time. They made great endeavours to get some jarvey in the place to drive them to Banbridge, but failed. They left Dromore in the morning and walked to Banbridge, and then to a little place called Loughbrickland, a short distance outside that town, where they got a 'bus going from Belfast to Dublin, and which carried them to within a few miles of Dundalk. They apparently disappeared there. The police got on their track, and eventually the Civic Guards went to a lodging-house in Dundalk and proceeded to inquire for them. Apparently they were not there, but, as the Civic Guards stood making inquiries, a cough was heard, and they went up a ladder and found the two prisoners, Morrison and Kennedy, and a woman. It appeared this woman was really called Mrs. Stapleton, who in the West of Ireland had deserted her husband and had gone with Kennedy for the charm of the roving life.

GOLD.

They were taken over from the Civic Guards, and when searched a considerable quantity of gold was found in their possession. The woman Stapleton had made a deposition, in which she said that the two men were willing to give four or five sovereigns for three £1 notes. That looked as if they came by the money very easily. These were the facts. The men had been seen together at six o'clock at Hawthorne's. They were seen together after they came back on their tracks near to Miss Maguire's. It was asserted that they had entered the house, and, after binding her, had robbed her of the gold and the notes. In addition to that evidence, Morrison had made a confession, and that confession would be evidence against Kennedy. They would hear that confession, and it seemed to be clear evidence that he did it.

THE LEGAL ASPECT.

In saying a word on the legal aspect, Mr. Justice Wilson said that if two men made up their minds that they would enter this house or any other house for the purpose of taking the money, and if the old lady resisted, they purposed keeping her quiet and tied her up with those clothes and she died, that was murder in law, and it was the malice aforethought spoken of in indictments.

"Because, if they go to do a deed of violence," added the Judge, "and any person or persons dies as a result of the violence, then murder has been committed.

"About the general state of the county, notwithstanding these cases, the respected County Inspector, who they all knew was about to retire from his duties after twelve years maintaining the peace of the county and enjoy his well-deserved rest, has been able to tell me that the state of the county was perfectly peaceful and good."

TRIAL FIXED FOR WEDNESDAY.

Subsequently, Francis Morrison and Gerald Kennedy were indicted for the wilful murder of Miss Ellen Maguire, at Drumadoney, near Dromara, on February 27 last.

Mr. J. Williamson, K.C.; Mr. William Beattie, K.C., and Mr. Gerald B. Dougherty (instructed by Mr. H. H. Mussen) represented the Crown.

When arraigned, both prisoners pleaded "not guilty."

Mr. Williamson said that he understood that neither of the prisoners was in the position to have professional assistance.

Morrison, asked by the Clerk of the Crown and Peace if he had anyone to represent him, said that he had Mr. Heron, and Kennedy replied that he had Mr. Fitzpatrick.

In reply to the judge, both these gentlemen said that they had got no retainers. The prisoners had no money. Mr. Fitzpatrick added that the reason he was in court was because the chief warder of the prison had telephoned to him.

The judge assigned for Morrison Mr. Heron and Mr. J. H. Campbell, and for Kennedy Mr. Fitzpatrick and Mr. James McSparran.

Mr. Williamson asked the judge to fix the trial for Wednesday morning, and he did so. The trial is expected to occupy the whole day.

St. Patrick's Day Ghosts.

HOW DUBLIN ENJOYED THE DAY IN THE PAST.

(By A. E. M.)

STANDING by the steps of the City Hall to-day, memory may induce one to hear the sharp metallic ring of trotting horses approaching from the direction of Parliament street. It is the clattering noise made by the escort of Hussars coming with the Lord Lieutenant for the Trooping of the Colour in the Lower Castle Yard. The glittering and rattling company on the sleek horses wheels sharply round the corner into Cork Hill, and with an air of intent *abandon* wheels again to the left into the Castle.

Brilliant sunshine—there was invariably brilliant sunshine in those days—brought the towers of Christ Church Cathedral into dream-like silhouette, and was reflected dazzlingly from the drawn sabres of the cavalry officers as they wheeled into the Castle Yard. The small crowd gathered about the precincts of Parliament street and Cork Hill raise a cheer, which is more vigorously echoed by the larger crowd about the Castle gates, as the Lord Lieutenant passes in his open carriage.

Suddenly from within the Castle crashes out the notes of "God Save the King" as the Lord Lieutenant arrives on the parade ground, to be followed almost immediately by "The British Grenadiers." On the parade ground itself is assembled all the pomp and fashion of Dublin—officials of the Vice-regal Court, officers of the Irish Command and the Dublin Garrison, the high officials of the Civil Service, police officers in polished uniforms, and the ladies in all the colours they will wear shortly at Punchestown. The massed bands of the regiments composing the Dublin Garrison crash suddenly into the marches of the ceremonial Trooping of the Colour, and the Colour company goes solemnly through the various evolutions. The salute is taken by the Lord Lieutenant and the General Officer Commanding in Ireland, and then His Excellency takes the opportunity of greeting his friends who are assembled by the saluting base. Quickly he reaches his carriage again and is driven off, his escort settling into place for the return to the Vice-regal Lodge. Cheers are heard in the streets again as the cavalcade passes out.

Then the regimental bands get into position for the return march to barracks in all parts of the city, and the troops pass out to the strains of "The girl I left behind me," or some other rollicking Irish air. Along Parliament street, up the hill towards Christ Church Cathedral, or to the right towards George's street, they go, stepping lively enough, but now making no sound. They will pass about half-past eleven this morning.

GREETING THE LORD MAYOR.

At College Green there is another, and a much larger, crowd a little later in the day. It has assembled to greet the new Lord Mayor of Dublin as he wends his way in all the panapoly of State on a visitation through the city. There is a big crowd at College Green because some fun is always to be had there from the attitudes and antics of the "College boys," who notoriously do not like Lord Mayors. An ancient "town and gown" spirit is in the atmosphere about the College railings, and "the boys" may be seen decorating the windows in the front. No one knows, but everyone greatly hopes, that "the boys" have a supply of "ammunition" lying in wait for the new Right Honourable the Lord Mayor as he permits his citizens to view him in all his glory.

There is a great cheer from the crowd-lined streets as the old "gingerbread" coach lurches and lumbers on its weary way, shaking his lordship and his chaplain and secretary as if they were on a ship or at the tail-end of a tramcar. The sound of "rebel" tunes is heard as the civilian bands in the procession hurl their challenging notes against the very walls of the oppressor's strongholds, each bandsman contesting with his fellow his might in patriotic music, and his fervour in the "cause." The first band passes with a medley that might be "God Save Ireland" played as a quick-march, and soon the State coach of the Corporation of Dublin is being drawn towards the corner of Grafton street. It is a great affair this coach, carved and gilded so that its ornate and burnished surface shimmers in the sunlight. It is drawn by six horses, with postillions and outriders, and a person in gorgeous uniform gathers the reins into white-gloved hands as he sits impassive in his seat, high "above the battle." The "tigers," standing on the narrow ledge behind, are equally gorgeously apparelled, but they seem none too comfortable on their lurching pedestal.

Suddenly there is a mighty roar, drowning the discord of the patriotic bandsmen, as a small bag of flour burst against the ornate "Ginger-bread," and scatters itself over the trappings of horses and men alike. None had found itself into the carriage, so the august personage of the Lord Mayor was unsullied. Then comes another, and another, and still another; the ground is now as if snow-covered, and the Lord Mayor is looking whitish. But it is the unfortunate bearers of the Sword and Mace who take most of the flour; cocked hats and crimson gowns can no longer be identified, and their ancient weapons can no more be used against offenders. The crimson-gowned and cock-hatted Aldermen and Councillors, who follow in open carriages, have a bad time, indeed, and much brushing will be necessary ere they become presentable to the more abiding Northern side of his lordship's city.

Nothing is left for the waiting crowd now but the passage of the Fire Brigade, always a popular rear-guard to the procession. With clanging of bells and glittering helmets the Brigade passes, and the crowd breaks into the following ranks, to march towards possible further adenfures

AN INDUSTRIAL PARADE.

"Burn everything English except coal." As the crimson poplin banner bearing this device in gold lettering passes by a meek little man in the crowd says, "They have forgotten matches and cigarettes," but such things were unheard of in Swift's day, so he agreed to ignore them. The St. Patrick's Day Industrial Parade is passing through the Dublin streets, and is attracting the attention of the patriotic and he curious. It is a piscellangous collection, ranging from thread and biscuits to fishing-nets and cigarettes, with *tableaux* interspersed to attract the greater attention to some particular goods. The procession is something of a novelty, as is the Irish Week, which it is intended to inaugurate, and the watchers are not quite sure whether they are to be amused or instructed, so they stare silently until a passing band awakens comment. It might be a funeral, so silent is the crowd; only the drums are heard, "not a funeral note."

The lorries and carts pass slowly, sometimes stopping for quite long periods for un known reasons; but soon the whole procession has gone without any ending such as curious Dublin crowds are accustomed to have in all their outdoor displays. The crowd melts quickly for its drinks and its meals.

ONE WITH LUBBOCK.

It is curious that when the seriously-minded had made of St. Patrick's Day a national holiday it should have been listed with the others named by Sir John Lubbock as a bank holiday. A day on which the populace goes to Howth and Baldoyle and Killiney and Bray to enjoy itself as does the populace everywhere. But not yet; the outside cars find their way by the Phœnix Park to the "Hole in the Wall," and the Strawberry Beds, where the porter is black and the fun fast. Religion and patriotism having been satisfied, it is right to have some fun, so to the "Hole in the Wall" on a car for the afternoon and evening. Towards dusk is the best time; then the fun will be at its height.

The fiddles and melodeons vie with each other in dance tunes as the famous hostelry is reached, and crowds are dancing and singing about the freshening grass of the Park. An extremely large gathering is endeavouring to negotiate the intricacies of "The Lancers," but there is much more noise than elegance about the display. Shouts and laughter may be heard everywhere, so that the entire population of the city may be believed to be present. As a fact, only those from the districts which are sometimes called "The Liberties" fraternise in these gatherings, but the "jarvies" do good business with family parties, and every car has its musician, who will insist upon playing and repeating his limited *repertoire* as the cars pass homeward in the early hours of to-morrow morning.

At any hour from midnight onwards it will be possible to hear one of the venturers from the past pull and push from a melodeon the notes of "Fond memory brings the light of other days around me" as his alcoholic companions drawl and hiccough the words. Listen for them!

Woodwork Factory.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

NAAS, Monday.

CAPTAIN P. Hone, Leixlip, County Kildare, has started a woodwork factory there. Up-to-date machinery for furniture-making has been installed.

IRISH KENNEL CLUB DINNER.

A group of the guests at the Irish Kennel Club's annual dinner, held in Jury's Hotel, Dublin, last night.

BURNED TO DEATH.

LONE OLD MAN'S FATE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

GURTEEN, Monday.

THE story of how a small farmer, John Devitt, who lived alone at Powellsboro', Tubbercurry, was burned to death was told to Coroner O'Hart and a jury last evening.

Charles McDonnell and Patrick Durkin gave evidence of finding Devitt's house filled with smoke and the old man lying in the centre of the floor, with his clothing alight.

Michael Connolly told how Devitt called at his house for petrol for use in a cigarette lighter.

Sergeant Drugan, Tubbercurry, stated that when he visited Devitt's house he found the old man lying in the centre of the floor, with the legs burned to the bone. The left-hand was burned off, but the face was uninjured. A petrol cigarette lighter was found beside the chair on which Devitt was apparently sitting. The clothing was all burned, as was a chair and a cushion. A small bottle containing petrol was found near the body. When witness entered the house the place was full of smoke.

Dr. E. Flannery having given evidence, a verdict of "Death from shock due to burns" was returned.

Summer Time.

Altered Licensing Hours.

IN the Howth District Court Mr. Gerald Byrne, solicitor, applied, on behalf of Mr. W. Findlater, St. Lawrence Hotel, Howth, to entitle him to open his licensed premises from two o'clock till nine p.m. instead of from one o'clock till eight p.m. during summer time.

A similar application was made in respect of Mrs. Duff, Baldoyle; Mrs. Campion, Balgriffin, and the Messrs. Cassidy, of Howth.

Superintendent Hughes, objected to the applications.

Mr. Findalter, in reply to Superintendent Hughes, said that the people who came into the hotel between eight and nine p.m. were very respectable people. He would be surprised to know that many people who visited Howth on Sundays were people who were on the dole.

Mr. Cassidy, Summit Hotel, Howth, said, in reply to Mr. Lynch, solicitor, that he only had a licence for the sale of beer and stout. He had no spirit licence, but he had a soda fountain.

Superintendent Hughes—Would not the soda fountain be sufficient?

Mr. Byrne, solicitor—Well, a glass of soda water is not much good after a walk up Howth Head. (Laughter.)

Superintendent Hughes said that 30,000 people might visit Howth on a fine Sunday. He admitted that the licensed premises were well conducted, but he based his objection on the grounds that with the extra hour the greatest number of cases of drunkenness occurred.

Sergeant Nolan, Howth, said that his experience of this summer time traffic was that people came out from the city half drunk, and completed the performance by having an extra three hours.

Mr. Byrne—Well, now, if a man can get drunk in three hours I suppose he can get drunk in two.

Sergeant Nolan—I suppose it would depend on his capacity. (Laughter.)

Mr. Byrne—Well, I suppose, Sergeant, you do not want Howth to go dry like America? You know the hash America made of it. (Laughter.)

Superintendent Hughes said that there was no need to grant these applications, but if the Court thought well to grant them the Guards would do their best to see that no abuses occurred.

Mr. Byrne said that there had been no abuse of the privilege given to the publicans last year, and he asked the Justice to grant similar facilities this year.

Justice Reddin said that these applications had been granted for the past four years, and the publicans had not abused the privilege. There had been no convictions against these houses, and he granted the applications in all cases. It had been said that there were some cases of drunkenness in Howth, but such cases would be dealt with by the Guards with their usual ability.

£400 a Week.

Home Help in County Kildare.

AT the meeting of the Kildare Health Board, Mr. P. Phelan (Chairman) presiding, Mr. W. Murray, Superintendent Assistance Officer, reported that home help expenditure for the month of February amounted to £1,643, or an average of about £410 a week. Athy district alone was responsible for over £100 a week, which, in his opinion, disclosed a very serious state of affairs.

In reply to the Chairman, Mr. Murray stated that the expenditure in Athy for February was £40 higher than for January.

The Chairman said that home help expenditure seemed to be getting out of bounds altogether in County Kildare. They were paying more than double any other county in the Free State. The ratepayers of the county were being taxed to the tune of over £21,000 a year without getting anything by way of return. It was a very serious position to be in, and he thought that all the elected representatives of the county should come together to consider the situation. If they could devise some scheme of task labour, similar to what they had organised on a small scale in Naas, it would, at least, have the effect of getting some return for this money.

Mr. Fitzsimons—I remember one individual who got married on Saturday, and applied for home help the following Monday. He is drawing it ever since.

Mr. Bergin—I know myself that a number of soldiers who come up on reserve remain in the county. They get married and take rooms.

Mr. Doyle—Athy is costing us the most, and still the people are dying of starvation there.

After further discussion it was decided to call a special committee meeting of the Board to consider the matter.

FACING A NEW MENACE.

POSITION OF THE LINEN INDUSTRY.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Monday.

THE Irish linen industry is faced with a new menace the wholesale dumping of Russian linen goods on the British and foreign markets. Before the war Russia supplied nearly three-quarters of the flax used in the Irish linen industry, the other quarter, being finer flax, produced at home and in Belgium. Even last year, Soviet Russia supplied a large quantity of flax for Irish linen manufacturers, while considerable quantities also came from Latvia, Esthonia and other Baltic provinces formerly incorporated in Russia. Within the past few months there has been a notable decline in Soviet raw supplies; but instead, linen articles manufactured in Russia are being dumped upon the British market, at prices considerably below the home cost of production.

RUSSIAN IMPORTS.

Several London houses are importing these Russian linens, and they are being offered right and left. They include such classes as sideboard cloths, tray cloths, tea cloths, etc., made of coarse, cream embroidery linen, with fancy stitches. Last year Russia exported very little linen goods to Great Britain, according to the Board of Trade returns; but this year a much larger quantity will be probably imported. It would appear as if the Russian five-year industrial plan, so far as linen manufacturing is concerned, has begun to operate, and this should lead to a renewed demand for safeguarding duties to protect the British market from being exploited by the Soviet Government. Even with the recent reduction in the wages of spinners and weavers, ranging from 7 to 10 per cent., Irish manufacturers would not be able to compete upon a cost basis with the uneconomic labour conditions and costs prevailing in Soviet factories and mills. While it is admitted that the quality of the Russian linen goods is much coarser than those produced in Belfast, buyers find it hard to resist offers of goods which are saleable and, at the same time, under the cost price according to local economic standards.

A NEW MENACE.

It is to be regretted that at a time when Irish linen production is being put upon a lower basis of production costs both in regard to wages and raw material, it should be faced with a new menace. For the past few years linen manufacturers in the North of Ireland had to face severe competition on the American and other markets from Czechoslovakia and other continental centres, where labour costs were lower than in the North of Ireland, but latterly the industry has been steadily overcoming this handicap. Not only wages have been reduced, but the price of flax has been brought back to pre-war level, and now is being sold in the Northern markets at 5s. per stone, or 1¼d. per lb. less than cotton (American middling) on the Liverpool market.

Recently cotton prices showed a tendency to harden in consequence of the policy in America of restricting by 10 or 20 per cent. the cotton area under cultivation this year. Any increase in cotton prices would naturally have helped the linen industry.

Lurgan Weavers' Strike.

Firm's Rumoured Decision to Close.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

LURGAN, Monday.

A MASS meeting of the winders and weavers on strike in Lurgan was held in Foster's Cinema, Lurgan, this afternoon. Mr. Michael Casey presided, and the building was packed.

Councillor Sam. Kyle, Belfast (divisional organiser) said that it had been reported that one of the firms in dispute (Messrs. Samuel McCrudden and Co., Ltd.) had decided to close down their weaving factory on March 28, and it was reported that the members of their staff had received two weeks' notice to terminate their employment. Councillor Kyle said that the members of the Union were prepared to return to Messrs. McCrudden's inside twenty-four hours provided that Messrs. McCrudden agreed to withdraw the notices of a reduction in wages, and that also applied to the other four firms where notices of reductions had been posted. They were prepared to enter into negotiations with these firms in order to get the wheels of industry going again.

Mr. Robert Getgood, district organiser, said that if Messrs. McCrudden, of Lurgan, decided to close down their firm, well and good; that was the firm's concern; but no matter what body of employers decided to carry on the weaving sheds in Lurgan, the weavers and winders and other people employed in the weaving end of the linen trade must be paid good wages and enjoy good conditions of labour; otherwise they could carry their looms out of Lurgan.

Mr. R. McClung, district organiser, said that if any employer or set of employers wanted a settlement of the Lurgan textile dispute, the Strike Committee were sitting every day in the Textile Hall in Lurgan. They did not want a strike; they did not want to continue the dispute if an honourable settlement could be arrived at. Every textile worker in Northern Ireland was looking towards Lurgan and hoping and praying for the Lurgan textile workers to win the fight. Textile workers were to-day coming inside the trade union movement in order to encourage the Lurgan workers in their fight.

Widow's Fatal Burns.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

WEXFORD, Monday.

"DEATH from shock, the result of burns received when her clothing accidentally took fire," was the verdict returned by Mr. J. J. Roche, Coroner for South Wexford at an inquest which was held to-day in the County Hospital, Wexford, on the body of Elizabeth Donohoe, The Oil, Oylegate, a farmer's widow, aged 55 years.

Cork County Board of Health to-day, on the recommendation of the Appointment Commissioners, appointed Dr. MacScarraigh, Culmaoile, County Sligo, and Dr. O'Regan, Doneraile, Assistant Medical Officers of Health for the county.

RATEPAYERS TO BENEFIT.

LOUTH AND THE SWEEPSTAKE.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

DUNDALK, Monday.

THE ratepayers of County Louth will benefit, at least to the extent of one thousand pounds, from the Grand National Sweep. At the quarterly meeting of the Louth County Council to-day, the Chairman (Mr. J. T. McGee) announced that the Council had decided to reduce the annual contribution payable out of public funds to the Louth Infirmary by £1,000, seeing that the infirmary was hoping to get a substantial contribution from the Sweep. The contribution had been increased by the Council when the infirmary was in a bad way, and now that things looked brighter for hospitals throughout Ireland, he was sure the management of the county infirmary would not be annoyed at the reduction in the sum paid them from the Louth rates.

The estimate of rates adopted showed an increase of 2¾d. over the rate of last year. The increase was largely due to an increased demand from the Grangegorman Mental Hospital, and a demand from the Vocational Education Committee for a grant of £1,400 from the county funds.

READY MONEY SCARCE.

In moving the adoption of the estimate, which was passed unanimously, the Chairman said that they had done everything they possibly could to help the class of people among whom there was, perhaps, more unemployment than any other class—the agricultural population. They realised long ago that the cause of so much unemployment was the scarcity of ready money on the farms to pay labourers, and that every additional burden placed on the shoulders of the farmers, who employed labour, tended to reduce the amount of employment available for the people of the country. The total rate was 8s. 2¾d., and next year two very big items—the Ardee railway guarantee, and the repayment of a big loan obtained in 1924 to relieve agriculturists—would be wiped off.

GRANTS FOR ROADS.

It was announced that grants totalling almost £11,000 were made available by the Roads Board for the laying in concrete of three important roads in the county, and an application was suggested to be made to the Roads Board to enable this work to be done by direct labour.

The County Surveyor said that he would prefer contract work, for the reason that the work must be completed before next March, and actually would have to be done before November. The laying of concrete roads was like the making of hay, and had to be done during a certain season.

The Rotary Movement.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Monday.

MR. HARRIS RUNDLE presided at the weekly luncheon meeting of the Belfast Rotary Club, this afternoon, in the Grand Central Hotel. He extended a hearty welcome to the guests, among whom were Rotarians Arthur G. Camp (Wrexham) and Fred J. Simmons (Londonderry), the Rev. W. F. Marshall (Castlerock), Mr. J. H. Venning (Northern Rhodesia), Mr. Arthur Johnson (Dublin).

Past President Dr. George G. Lyttle announced that a meeting of the Irish District Council of Rotary International was held in Belfast on Saturday last, when the following Rotarians were elected to take office on July 1st next:—Chairman, Mr. F. M. Summerfield (Dublin); vice-chairman, Mr. R. W. Sinnott (Cork); secretary, Mr. G. J. T. Clainpett, barrister-at-law (Dublin); treasurer, Mr. Samuel Dowds (Londonderry).

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Robbery from House in Sutton.

Court Sequel.

In the Howth District Court, yesterday, Thomas Kelly and Bartley Carrick, Baldoyle, were charged by Superintendent Hughes with having broken into the residence of Mrs. Teresa Lawlor, Sutton, on February 21, and stolen two one pound notes, two sovereigns, one half sovereign, a gold wristlet watch and pendant.

Mr. Gerald Byrne, solicitor, appeared for Carrick, and Mr. Herman Good, solicitor, for Kelly.

Mrs. Teresa Lawlor deposed that she drove home in a van, driven by her nephew, on the night of February 21. She saw a light in the house, and just as she came to the house two men rushed out. The glass at the hall-door was broken, so as to give access to the Yale lock. Witness went to her bedroom and missed the money and articles mentioned.

Mr. Louis OConnor, nephew of the last witness, said that he saw the two men running out of the house, and he chased them. Witness fell over some barbed wire just as the men got near the golf links, and then they got away. The men both wore caps, and at an identification parade he picked out two men. He now pointed out Kelly as one of the men whom he chased.

Replying to Mr. Good, the witness said that he could not swear that either of the prisoners was one of the men whom he saw coming out of Mrs. Lawlor's house.

Mr. Stephens, a neighbour of Mrs. Lawlor's, said that on the night of the 21st February he was going into his house, and saw a man standing near his gate. This man went towards Lawlor's. Witness subsequently attended an identification parade, and picked out a man who, he believed, was the man he saw that night, Bartley Carrick.

Mr. Byrne—Are you absolutely sure that Carrick was the man you saw?—Well, I could not swear it.

Sergeant Nolan described his visit to Mrs. Lawlor's and detailed measurements of footprints he found nearby. He saw similar footprints on the foreshore shortly afterwards. Witness afterwards questioned the accused, Kelly, and compared his footprints with those which he found on the foreshore, and they corresponded. A diagram of the sole of Kelly's boot was shown, to which Mr. Good took exception, as he contended that it did not tally with the sole of the boot (produced).

Mr. Good and Mr. Byrne both urged that there was no identification and no case to meet.

Justice Reddin said that he was satisfied a *prima facie* case had been made.

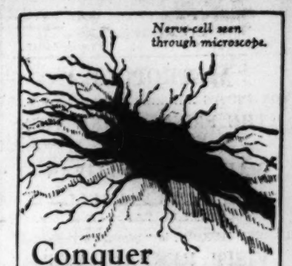
ALIBI DEFENCE.

Evidence was given by Kelly's father and sister to the effect that he (Kelly) had not left the house all day on February 21.

The case having occupied about two hours at hearing, Kelly, one of the accused men, was called and swore that he was not out of the house at Station road, Sutton, on the night of February 21.

Justice Reddin said that two of the witnesses came to Court obviously intimidated, and were afraid to tell the truth. The evidence was circumstantial, but he (the Justice) thought that it was convincing. In Carrick's case he dismissed the charge, but advised him to get some decent work, and he ordered him to find bail himself in £10 and two solvent sureties of £10 each, failing which to go to gaol for a month.

He convicted Kelly and granted a remand in custody till next Wednesday to enable Mr. Good to consult his client.



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Woman Attacked.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

DOWNPATRICK, Monday.

AT the Down Assizes to-day William H. Blakely, Portadown, pleaded guilty to having, on December 1, while armed with an offensive weapon, assaulted, with intent to rob, an aged woman, Elizabeth Armstrong, of Coolsallagh.

Dr. Henry Carlisle, in answer to Mr. J. Williamson, K.C., Senior Crown Prosecutor, said that he had examined the woman on the day she had been attacked, and found her suffering from shock. She had a wound an inch and a half long on the head, near her right ear. The wound went down to the bone, which was bare. She had another wound an inch long on the right forehead, and the bone also was bare in that case. She had other minor injuries. Next day when he saw the woman her eyes were blackened above and below. She was unconscious, and her heart was in a poor state. She was a woman of seventy, residing by herself. She was in danger of her life for five or six days after the assault, and was altogether eight weeks in hospital.

Mr. Justice Wilson, in passing sentence, said that the prisoner had undoubtedly gone to the woman's house to rob her, and had assaulted her with a stave from her garden and very nearly killed her. The least sentence he could impose was twelve months' imprisonment with hard labour.

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T. J. CONLON,
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The Irish Times.

TUESDAY, MARCH 17, 1931.

NEWS SUMMARY

IRELAND.

In connection with the dispute between beet growers in the Free State and the Irish Sugar Manufacturing Company regarding the price of beet in the coming season, it was learned yesterday that the whole matter is now under consideration in Belgium.—(Page 7.)

At the opening of the Down Assizes yesterday the trial of Francis Morrison and Gerald Kennedy, of the tramp class, was fixed for to-morrow. They are charged with the murder of Miss Ellen Maguire, an aged woman, at Drumadoney, near Dromara, on February 27 last.—(Page 5.)

At the stated general meeting of the Royal Irish Academy in Dublin yesterday, Dr. R. Lloyd Praeger was elected President in the room of Professor Macalister, whose term of office had expired.—(Page 4.)

Arrangements are now complete for the international clay pigeon shooting competitions to be held at Woodbrook, Bray, on Friday and Saturday.—(Page 8.)

GREAT BRITAIN.

The Government was defeated on the Representation of the People Bill in the House of Commons last night, the clause abolishing university representation being rejected by 246 votes to 242 votes.—(Page 7.

The South Wales miners, at a delegate conference yesterday, resolved to ask for a national conference for the purpose of considering the low wages paid in the coalfields.—(Page 2.)

ABROAD.

The value of United States exports in the month of February last was the lowest recorded since November, 1914.—(Page 6.)

The use of light aircraft by the Prince of Wales and Prince George—who spent Sunday night on a big cattle ranch—has stimulated aeroplane sales at the British Empire Trade Exhibition in Buenos Aires.—(Page 6.)

SPORTING.

At Wolverhampton yesterday Ptolemais won the Oxley Handicap Steeplechase.—(Page 11.)

At Wye Essex Beacon won the Canterbury Handicap Hurdle Race.—(Page 11.)

FINANCIAL.

London Stock Markets made a good start yesterday on the 21-day account. Industrial shares were prominent, with Columbias and Radios strong on merger rumours.—(Page 12.)

In connection with War Debt payments, credits in Lombard street were stringent, and overnight loans were charged 3 per cent Discount rates were firmer. The bank received £250,000 in sovereigns from South Africa.—(Page 12.)

Dublin Market was busier, with mixed price changes. Exchange will be closed to-day.—(Page 13.)

Following a strong opening on New York Stock Exchange, a broad advance developed under the leadership of Utilities. The close was strong.—(Page 12.)

Germany and Poland.

Last Thursday the Seym, or Lower House, of Poland ratified the year-old Commercial Treaty with Germany, and so advanced one step towards the settlement of Central European unrest. The ratification was not accomplished, as *The Times* remarks, with any show of enthusiasm, even on the part of the Minister who introduced the bill. When the Treaty was signed a year ago there was considerable opposition among important interests on both sides of the frontier. Only a few days after the signature the Reichstag raised its customs duties on imported agricultural products—an act which did not help to convince Polish exporters of Germany's good faith—and it is preparing a further increase. Nevertheless, the impulse towards agreement has prevailed so far as the Seym is concerned, and there is every expectation that the Senate will follow its example. Whether Poland or Germany will benefit to any large extent does not matter. The point is that, whereas since the War there has been no commercial contact between the countries, the complete ratification of the Treaty will authorise such contact. A succession of similar contacts in process of time can do much to establish good feeling, that eventually will enable the real subjects of contention to be tackled in a reasonable spirit. To this end we must hope that, when the matter of ratification comes before the Reichstag, it will reciprocate Poland's overture.

Still more will be accomplished if the German-Polish Liquidation Agreement, now under discussion at Warsaw, is ratified. Its terms are designed to simplify outstanding issues between the signatories. The two Governments agree to renounce all financial claims arising out of the War and the transference of German territory to Poland; and Poland, in addition, waives her right to liquidate German estates and expropriate German owners in the Corridor. If such an agreement had been made years ago, a great deal of tension might have been averted. The agreement under discussion is not directly the work of Marshal Pilsudski, who was not in office when it was signed. Nevertheless, its ratification, if accomplished, will be a consequence of his efforts. Although by no means well-disposed to Germany, he seems to maintain that the liquidation of debts will be to the advantage of Poland and will promote a somewhat easier situation in Europe. With the weight of his authority added to the supporters of ratification, the agreement stands at least a reasonable chance of success. Yet a strong party in Poland is opposed to concert with Germany on any matter whatever; and the Nationalists of the Corridor know that the agreement will deprive them of a share in the once German estates.

The German people's sentiment in regard to German co-operation with Poland is no less divided than that of the Poles. In both countries, while the Governments are anxious for harmony of some sort, a large and influential section of the people refuses to permit any attempt to make relations easier. On the German side opposition to the Commercial Treaty is represented mainly by the agrarian interests, while the "Nazis" resent the Liquidation Agreement. It is somewhat difficult to understand why the latter dislike an arrangement that will afford a stronger safeguard against the oppression of German minorities in Poland than any hitherto proposed. Yet sentiment without reason is a strong feature of the "Nazi" character. Fortunately, Germany has a Hindenburg, even as Poland has a Pilsudski; and it is likely that the action of these two strong men will just turn the balance in favour of agreement. The two Governments apparently are determined on a policy of co-operation, in which they see the only remedy for Central Europe's economic ills. We hope that their efforts will bear fruit. The German-Polish Liquidation Agreement would mark a long step towards a settlement of the German minority's troubles in the Corridor. The whole matter of minorities in the partitioned areas requires consideration; for while difficulties exist Europe's peace is in constant danger.

The Indian Princes.

It is impossible to forecast exactly the *rôle* that the various factions and castes will play in the framing of India's future; but, whatever may befall, there can be no doubt that the part of the native princes will not be insignificant. During the last twelve months they have maintained a watching brief on behalf of their own interests, and they have committed themselves only to a general acceptance of the policy of federation. Their silent power has been recognised by the Imperial Government, as is shown by the second of the five safeguards upon which it insists before any concessions to the Congress Party can be granted. "The inviolable rights of the princes," runs the condition, "corresponding to their pledges of inviolable loyalty to their Imperial head," must be secured. This loyalty has not been deficient for at least a hundred years; indeed, to-day the native States can give points to the Presidencies in so far as internal order is concerned. No episodes such as those which have occurred in Bombay, Calcutta and Sholapur have troubled their police; Swaraj has not raised its head. Yesterday at New Delhi the Viceroy opened the annual session of the Chamber of Princes, and signalised the occasion with a homily on the merits of financial rectitude. His advice was good and, perhaps, timely, since in the present crisis it would be most unfortunate if some palace scandal should furnish the enemy with fuel for the fires of his suspicions. Lord Irwin urged that every ruler's personal expenditure should not exceed the requirements of his necessary dignity, so that a larger sum might be available for the development of the State's resources. Such words are not altogether superfluous; for in certain States no clear demarcation exists between the Rajah's privy purse and the State's revenue. Nevertheless, the evil is very much smaller than usually is supposed, and in several of the more enlightened States it is wholly absent. The wonder is that, where it occurs, it is not greater. Until recent years the theory that the revenues of a country were not the personal property of the monarch was unknown in the East. It is much to the credit of the princes, therefore, that they have learned an entirely new and rather unpalatable lesson so quickly. What might have happened to the finances—and what may happen—in an India governed by a Hindu bureaucracy does not bear contemplation. Referring to the anxious days that lie ahead, the Viceroy urged the need for a "genuine spirit of compromise and concession." Hitherto the princes have not been found wanting even to their own hindrance; and no desire to placate clamorous elements should tempt the central authority to strain their loyalty too far.

French Railways.

France's 25,000 miles of railway are under State control, and are partitioned among six great companies. The Government, which owns about one-third of the invested capital, will become, some twenty years hence, the absolute proprietor of the various systems. It has the right to fix fares and charges and to determine proposals for new mileage. Recent critics in the Chamber demanded a stiffening of State control on the ground that the railways were managed badly, and five of the six companies have addressed a protest to the Minister of Public Works. Denying the charges of bad management, they say that the railways are hampered on all sides by the State's interference. If they are run at a loss, the blame lies with the Governments which compel them to increase working expenses without any proportionate increase of rates; these expenses have increased eleven times since 1913. In their desire to help industry and agriculture French Governments have reduced passenger rates, which to-day are lower by one-third than those before the War, and have checked the increase of goods rates. The railways pay large taxes, and must give privileged rates to military, post office and suburban traffic. "These charges," say the five companies, "might have been admissible when the railways enjoyed a monopoly, but now that they are in competition with other means of transport, less taxed, less restricted and without obligations, they are no longer tolerable." Furthermore, the French companies complain that their efforts to reduce costs, consistently with the security and regularity of services, "have been neutralised by the action of the Chamber in voting higher wages for the railwaymen, further paid holidays, larger pensions and a seven-hour day." Such fruits of nationalisation in France deserve careful study by Irishmen. The Irish railways, with all their troubles, are fairly efficient now. If the State adopts them, they will become the prey of rival vote-hunters in Parliament, and their soaring costs will be a heavy burden on the taxpayer. Yet, unless the Government intervenes quickly to save them from an unjust, uneconomic and chaotic rivalry, the Free State railways must collapse into nationalisation.

Carency's Bell.

If, during the Great War, the British troops regarded the Ypres sector as their supreme trust, while Verdun held this honoured position in French eyes, the sector about Carency, Souchez and Notre Dame de Lorette saw the highest flights of British and French heroism. For many months the heap of rubble which was Souchez was pointed out, though, perhaps, untruthfully, by soldiers as the "flattest" village of the line; and, even on a "quiet" day, those who were compelled to cross the Zouave Valley trod, like Agag, delicately, with their ears attuned to catch the first whine of the almost inevitable shell. Across these places at various times each army fought at least one bloody battle, and in this sector, in the attack on the Vimy ridge, the famous creeping barrage made its historic *début*. Thus, though thirteen years have passed, the news that the villagers of Carency—and, indeed, of the whole neighbourhood—will assemble with fitting ceremonial next Sunday to attend the re-installation of the village's famous bell in its belfry sounds strangely incongruous to those who knew Carency in the War. A deputation from the Paris Municipal Council and a guard of a hundred old soldiers from the district will be present, and, perhaps, the spirits of many others, alive and dead, will be there as well. Since its removal to safety in the early days of the German invasion, the bell has been lying in the Petit Palais, in Paris. More fortunate than many of its fellows, it has escaped the final indignity of transmutation into war material for the enemy. Intact and honourable, it can resume its peaceful calls in its old home.

MR. SNOWDEN'S OPERATION.

BUDGET SPEECH HOPES.

Mr. Philip Snowden, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, underwent an operation at his home, Eden Lodge, Tilford, Surrey, yesterday, and the following official bulletin was issued:—

"An operation for drainage of the bladder was performed on Mr. Snowden this afternoon by Sir John Thomson-Walker. The operation was very successful, and was well borne by the patient, who is now resting quietly."

Mr. Snowden has been suffering from cystitis, following an attack of influenza.

Mrs. Snowden said to a reporter last night: "I am very happy and satisfied, and I am hoping that he will soon be about again. If he progresses as well as he has done up to the present, there is no doubt that he will be quite recovered in time to make his Budget speech."

A Versailles message through Reuter's Agency states that the gendarmerie of two Departments are on the watch for a prisoner who has escaped from Evreux Prison. He was recently sentenced to penal servitude for life for killing his wife.

COURT AND PERSONAL.

The King received Sir George Stewart Symes at Buckingham Palace on his appointment as Governor and Commander-in-Chief of Tanganyika Territory. On behalf of His Majesty, the Duke of York welcomed the King of Spain at Victoria Station. During his London visit King Alfonso will stay at Claridge's Hotel.

The Duke of Gloucester, having driven from Tidworth, visited the Four Georges Exhibition, now open at Sir Philip Sassoon's residence in Park lane.

Princess Mary will present the Colours to the County of London Branch of the British Red Cross Society at the parade of all the County detachments, which will be held at the Duke of York's headquarters, Chelsea.

The Duchess of Buccleuch returned to London yesterday. The Duchess of Devonshire has joined the Duke of Devonshire at Lismore Castle, County Waterford. The Duchess of Norfolk will leave London shortly for Everingham Park, Yorkshire, where she will spend Easter. Lord Lovat and the Master of Lovat have left Beaufort Castle, Inverness, for Brazil, and will be away till May. Mabel Lady Langford, who has been staying in Corsica, will not return to England at present.

Lady Millicent Tiarks, only daughter of the Marquess and Marchioness of Headfort, has given birth to a son at 31 Queen's Gate, London. Lady Millicent's marriage took place a year ago, and since then she and Mr. Tiarks have spent much of their time in America.

The guests at Sir Frederick Williams-Taylor's luncheon party for the Earl and Countess of Bessborough and the High Commissioner for Canada and Mrs. Ferguson included the Marchioness of Dufferin, Mary Countess of Minto, the Marchioness of Donegall, the Dowager Countess Grey, Lord and Lady Strathcona, Lord Richard Nevill, the Hon. F. Erskine and Viscount and Viscountess Hardinge.

Lady Margaret Nicholson will leave Southampton to-day for a cruise to Venice and Dalmatia. Sir Arthur and Lady Rose, Sir Felix and Lady Brunner, and Sir Robert Usher will travel by the same steamer. Sir Archibald and Lady Weigall have returned to Cannes from Malta.

Mr. Kevin O'Duffy has left 85 Harcourt street until after Easter.

Many of the lovely Gowns, Ensembles and Sports Suits selected by Mrs. F. B. Switzer during her recent visit to Paris have now arrived at 88 Grafton street.

Irish Week at Holmes'—Special display this week in all Departments of Irish-made Goods. W. Holmes and Co., 69/71 South Great George's street.

Chancellor, Photographer to the King.—7 Grafton street, late Sackville street.

PASSENGERS ON ROYAL MAIL STEAMERS.
Arrivals:—Arthur J. Phillpotts, Miss M. Strahan, Mr. and Mrs. Rubenstein, R. de A. Bryn, F. J. Hendy, Mrs. D. H. Gillman, Dr. F. Lyburn, Mrs. Pierce F. Purcell, Sir T. L. O'Shaughnessy.
Departures:—The Rev. William Carroll, E. W. Williams, Mr. and Mrs. P. J. Egan, Edgar F. Keatinge, Herbert Burchill, Sheela Burchill, Mrs. King, Miss G. Claffey, Renee Flynn, Mr. and Mrs. Donald Menzies, T. E. Attwooll, E. A. Walmsley, E. K. Carter, E. M. Hoare, Mr. and Mrs. D. Menzies, Miss V. Frosle, Miss Erner Murphy, Miss Kate, Curling, Colonel R. H. Benson, Mrs. G. A. Thompson.

PASSENGERS BY THE B. AND I. LINE, VIA LIVERPOOL.
Arrivals:—Lady Butler, Sir R. Butler, Mrs. Kelly, J. T. Brown, T. Flynn, Mrs. Dillon, S. J. Hart, T. Draycott, J. J. F. O'Kelly, T. Fosbey, T. Alwyn, G. V. Hart, T. Illingworth, A. G. Worcester, T. Hosey, S. Talbot, Dr. Ash, Miss M. Moore, Dr. I. Smith, Comm. McCarthy, Capt. and Mrs. Ledeswonel, T. Rafferty, J. Wolfe, Miss Trainer, T. Lystin, R. Cohen.
Departures:—E. V. Hookham, T. Thornhill, A. Laudner, J. illingworth, P. Lane, G. Park, Barry Walsh, T. Callaghan, S. Parkes, R. S. Stringer, G. Sherrard, T. Studholme, A. Preston, J. D. Beattie, Sheelds, Mrs. Burgess.

Small Sizes—Marleen is showing new Sportswear specially designed for small women.—31 South Anne street.

All classes of Hair Lotions are compounded at Clerys Ladies' Hairdressing Salons. Transformations, Toupees, Switches, etc., at moderate prices.
Clerys Restaurant, under new management. New decoration scheme in the Ballroom. Now open for bookings. Evening dress only.
Spring Cleaning — Carpets Shaken and Cleaned in our own works Millar and Beatty.

LETTERS TO THE EDITOR.

RATES IN RATHMINES.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Will Mrs. Kettle or someone in authority say who is liable in Rathmines area for payment of the threatened increase in rates—tenant or landlord? Many occupiers are tenants free of all rates and taxes, but, under the Rent Restriction Acts, have to pay increased rent *plus* the increase in rates since 1914. Further, the Electricity Supply Board has captured the surplus of the electricity undertaking in the district. The Board has refunded in some cases the amount of deposit, without interest promised, to the consumer, which surplus should in all fairness be used for the benefit of the residents in the old township. House rent is now increased—sometimes by 100%—on that of 1914. When will the Government set up a fair rents board?—Yours, etc.,

"TENANT."

Dublin, March 16th, 1931.

BRAMBLING AND STOAT.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—The brambling is fairly common in this district. Though it is seldom seen in daylight, if I go through clumps of laurels at night with a light, I always see numbers of them roosting. They come sometimes to pick seeds where threshing refuse is thrown out, but not often.

I have seen the statement twice lately in the *Irish Times* that stoats do their hunting at night. This is against my experience of stoats, and I am well acquainted with them for nearly sixty years. I believe that they rarely begin their hunting till the dew is off the grass, and leave off as soon as the grass is wet with the evening dew. I have been in the fields a good deal at night, and, whenever I heard a rabbit or a rat in distress, I never found a stoat to be the cause or saw a stoat hunting. The reason probably is that, being so small, they would get all wet and perished at night, and would be in more danger of losing their prey to cats, dogs, foxes, badgers, etc.—all night-hunters. I wonder if there are two varieties of stoats. I believe that there is a large species which usually goes in large packs, and a small variety which goes usually in pairs.—Yours, etc.,

W. J. NASH.

Fardrum, Athlone, March 16th, 1931.

WEASELS.

TO THE EDITOR OF THE IRISH TIMES.

SIR,—Your correspondent is correct in stating that weasels are extinct in Ireland. The carnivores found in all parts of the island are really stoats, and it is a common error to call them weasels, although they are closely related, and very similar in their habits. However, they are easily distinguished, the weasel's body being only about eight inches in length, whereas the body of the stoat at maturity is frequently twice as much. The former's tail is between two and three inches long, whereas the stoat's is from five to six, and ends in a black tip. Nevertheless, naturalists are generally agreed that they are two species of one genus—in fact, first cousins. Both are proverbial for their courage and tenacity, and I have had practical experience of their vindictiveness if they are unduly interfered with. When they mobilise for attack, as they sometimes do, they are no mean opponents for "feather weights."—Yours, etc.,

J. A. GARDNER.

Greystones, March 16th, 1931.

TO-DAY'S ENGAGEMENTS.

Kennel Club's Dog Show—Ballsbridge.
United Irishwomen's Show — Castletown, Leix.
Unveiling War Memorial — Newbridge, 1 p.m.
Companions of St. Patrick—Banquet, Shelbourne Hotel, 6.30 p.m.

AMUSEMENTS.
Gaiety Theatre—"Lucia di Lammermoor."
Olympia Theatre—"All Out."
Abbey Theatre—"Carnival."
Gate Theatre—"Tsar Paul."
Metropole Cinema—"The Princess and the Plumber."
Theatre Royal—"The Dancers."
Pavilion Cinema, Dun Laoghaire—"The Silver Horde."
Capitol Cinema — "The Big Pond" and Variety.
Grafton Cinema—"Plunder."
Savoy Cinema—"Hold Everything."

A CHALLENGE TO MR. BALDWIN

AND A CUTTING REPLY.

"TOO IMPUDENT TO DESERVE CONSIDERATION."

Mr. Baldwin made the following statement last night, after having seen the London evening newspapers:—

"I notice that Lord Rothermere has addressed his challenge, not to me, but to his own newspapers. That fact alone must throw doubt on its sincerity, and, of course, it is obvious enough that the challenge would never have been issued at all if there had been the remotest prospect of its acceptance.

"The idea that any member of the Conservative party, to say nothing of its present leader, should debate in public the question of the party leadership with a peer who, so far as he is anything, is a professing Liberal, is too impudent to deserve a moment's consideration. That question is not to be settled by any individual outside the party, however rich and influential, but by the whole body of Conservative members."

Earlier in the day the Press Association received from Lord Rothermere a statement in which Lord Rothermere declared that Mr. Baldwin had criticised his intervention in the St. George's by-election as the action of "an insolent and irresponsible plutocracy."

Lord Rothermere proceeded: "I, therefore, make the following proposal to Mr. Baldwin. I am prepared to meet him in open debate at any time after the end of next week. I suggest that this debate should take place in a public hall.

"The subject of our debate would, of course, be the policy, leadership and record of the Conservative party in the last eight years."

LORD ROTHERMERE'S COMMENT.

On being informed of Mr. Baldwin's reply, Lord Rothermere's comment was as follows:—

"Mr. Baldwin has run away.

"The idea that I am a Liberal is the invention of Mr. Baldwin for the purposes of this controversy.

"He did not call me a Liberal in 1924 when, thanks to the Zinovieff letter, the *Daily Mail*, under my direction, secured his return to office with the largest majority of any Prime Minister since 1832.

"Mr. Baldwin has funked the issue, as one of his most intimate associates told me to-day he would."

PRINCES' NIGHT ON AN ESTANCIA.

ROYAL FLIGHT HELPS TO SELL 'PLANES.

FROM THE PRESS ASSOCIATION'S SPECIAL CORRESPONDENT.
BUENOS AIRES, Monday.

Refreshed by their invigorating air journey from this city and a restful night in the soothing quiet of the La Marion Estancia, where they were the guests last night of Mr. Carlos Brown, the famous cattle breeder, the Prince of Wales and his brother, Prince George, resumed their flight this morning, and arrived at 4.14 this afternoon at Cordoba, where they will spend two days with friends before returning on Thursday for a final visit to Buenos Aires.

That the Princes' use of light passenger aircraft has impressed Argentina is evident from the fact that within a few hours of the public being admitted to the British Empire Trade Exhibition, which the Prince of Wales opened on Saturday, three sales, aggregating nearly £3,000 in value, had been concluded at the De Haviland stand, the sales including two actual show machines, a Gipsy Moth and a Puss Moth.

The two Princes arrive back here on Thursday evening, and will bid farewell to the Argentine capital on Saturday, when they leave for a short stay at Monte Video. There they will join the liner, Alcantara, *en route* to Rio de Janeiro.

BIG DECLINE IN U.S. EXPORTS.

LOWEST RECORD SINCE THE YEAR 1914.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.
WASHINGTON, Monday.

There was a startling decline in the value of United States exports in the month of February—226,000,000 dollars, the lowest recorded since November, 1914.

Exports in February, 1930, were valued at 348,852,000 dollars, since when the prices of exported commodities have declined approximately ten per cent.

Imports for February totalled 175,000,000 dollars, the lowest since September, 1921. The February imports in 1930 were 281,707,000 dollars.

WEATHER FORECAST.

General Inference.—An anti-cyclone is now centred over Scandinavia, and there is a complex low pressure system on the Eastern Atlantic. Weather will be mainly fair, with fresh to strong easterly to southerly winds, and moderate or rather low day temperature.

North-West and South-West Ireland.—Strong south-easterly wind; cloudy; perhaps occasional rain; moderate temperature.

North-East and South-East Ireland.—Fresh or strong south-easterly wind; mainly fair; moderate temperature.

Irish Sea.—Fresh or strong south-easterly wind; mainly fair; sea rather rough or rough.

St. George's Channel.—Strong east or south-east wind; mainly fair; sea rather rough or rough.

Dixon and Hempenstall. Barometers and Thermometers. 12 Suffolk street, Dublin.—(Advt.)

DUBLIN WEATHER REPORT

Mar.	Bar.	Thermometer. Temp. 9 a.m.	Max.	Min.	Grass Min.	Wind.	Rain. m.m.	Sun hours
10	29.825	40.7	42	27	24	N.W.	1.8	0.9
11	29.937	39.4	46	32	23	W.	0.0	4.1
12	29.75.	39.3	44	32	25	W.S.W.	0.0	1.9
13	9.460	40.6	49	39	32	W.S.W.	1.1	1.2
14	29.686	44.8	52	38	30	S.S.W.	Tr.	7.5
15	29.830	41.3	52	39	28	E.S.E.	0.0	6.5
16	29.786	42.8	47	33	22	S.E.	0.1	7.3

THE SUN.

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BRITISH GOVERNMENT AGAIN DEFEATED.

COMMONS VOTE IN FAVOUR OF UNIVERSITY SEATS.

MAJORITY OF 4 AGAINST PROPOSED ABOLITION.

ELECTORAL REFORM BILL MAY BE ABANDONED.

THE Government was defeated in the House of Commons last night on the Committee stage of the Representation of the People Bill.

The defeat occurred on the clause proposing to abolish university representation. The figures were:—

AGAINST THE CLAUSE	246
FOR THE CLAUSE	242
MAJORITY AGAINST THE GOVERNMENT	4

Mr. Lloyd George and most of the Liberals voted with the Government. On the figures being announced, the Conservative members demonstrated for some minutes, and prolonged cries of "Resign" were raised.

Immediately after the defeat of the Government, Mr. Baldwin asked the Prime Minister what course he proposed to take. The Premier replied that the matter would be considered before the bill was put down again for discussion.

CLAIMS OF QUEEN'S UNIVERSITY.

FROM OUR PARLIAMENTARY CORRESPONDENT.

WESTMINSTER, Monday.

AFTER a tribute paid to the memory of Mr. Hartshorn, the late Privy Seal, by the leaders of all parties, the House resumed the consideration of the Representation of the People Bill in Committee, this being the third allotted day.

The Committee at once embarked upon the question whether Queen's University, Belfast, should retain its representation in the Imperial Parliament. Clause 4 abolishes the university vote, and one of its sections applies to the Queen's University, Belfast.

Major Ross (C., Londonderry) moved the omission of this section. The university seat was, he said, given to Northern Ireland by the Act of 1920, which reduced the membership of Northern Ireland from 29 to 13 members. They had hoped as the result of that sacrifice that their representation would not continue to be the plaything of British politics and that they would be left alone.

Colonel Sinclair, who represents Queen's University, seconded the amendment.

KEEPING FAITH.

Sir Austen Chamberlain, supporting, pointed out that it was not Ulster who sought a change in Parliamentary representation, but Great Britain, who begged them to acquiesce, moved by a desire to bring to a close a misunderstanding between Ireland and this country. The Ulster of to-day being the party which reluctantly acquiesced in the change, one had no right within the period of a few years to alter the representation to which they had agreed. (Opposition cheers.) He was one of those responsible for the arrangement in the Act of 1920, and he desired to keep faith with those with whom a consecrated bargain had been made.

Mr. Ian Macpherson (Lib., Ross and Cromarty) held that Belfast University was entitled to retain its representation.

Mr. Clynes, replying for the Government, said the Act of 1920 never contemplated absolutely permanent representation in that House of university constituencies. If they once adopted a system whereby something done could never be undone they could never enjoy a condition of freedom. It was preposterous to argue that, however much they wanted to change the university representation of England, Wales and Scotland, there must be no interference with the position in Northern Ireland. Queen's University had an electorate of only 3,300 and was represented in the Imperial Parliament in a dual sense.

Sir Samuel Hoare contended that the House was under a moral obligation to carry out the bargain which was come to with Ulster.

THE LIBERAL VIEW.

Sir H. Samuel said that Ulster was given thirteen members in a Parliament of 615. She now asked to retain that representation in a House of 604 members. There was no question of breaking a bargain. If this amendment was carried the arrangement would be modified to the advantage of Northern Ireland as against Great Britain. It was not reasonable to argue that Queen's University seat should be the only one left.

Sir Stafford Cripps argued that the university seat was introduced by an amendment to the Act of 1920, and could, not, therefore, be said to be part of a bargain.

Mr. D. D. Reid said that from his personal knowledge it was part of the bargain.

The amendment, on a division, was defeated by 178 votes to 168, a Government majority of ten. The figures were received with Opposition cheers.

On the motion that the clause stand part of the bill, Lord Hugh Cecil said that university representation was being attacked in deference to a political theory—the theory of equalitarian democracy. (Laughter.) Voting was not a right; it was a public function. No one had any more right to be a voter than he had to be a policeman or a judge or a Prime Minister. (Laughter.) There was only one good argument for anybody having a vote, and that was the public interest.

LORD HUGH CECIL.

The university electorate was composed of a body of people who were common to the realm. From that electorate came leaders of the people, and it was well known that no revolution had ever been successful which had not been led by the professional classes. (Laughter.) They were an essential part of the public voice who went to the making up of that mysterious thing called public opinion and should not be shut out. (Opposition cheers.) He invited the House to reject the clause.

The Home Secretary defended the clause. It was not right, in his opinion, that one section of men should have two votes whilst their fellows had only one. University representation was a privilege which could no longer be endured, and the time for a change had come.

There followed the representatives of the Scottish, Cambridge, and Oxford Universities, all of whom urged the retention of the University seats. Mr. John Buchan said that whilst on certain matters he would take the views of a border shepherd against all the professors of knowledge which demanded special representation in the House.

Mr. Cowen contended that education demanded, and deserved, special recognition. Sir John Withers protested that the main reason for abolishing the University vote was that the University members did not agree with the Socialist party, and Sir Charles Oman stressed the independence of the University members. They were specialists elected by specialists.

Sir Herbert Samuel, opposing the retention of the University vote, said that University seats were the present-day pocket boroughs of the professional classes.

Mr. Baldwin said he desired to intervene in the debate, not so much as leader of the Opposition, but as one who had enjoyed the signal honour of having been elected by all parties to the high office of Chancellor both of Cambridge and St. Andrew's Universities.

Proceeding, he said that ever since the creation of the Labour party there had been no more prominent feature in its programme than the demand for higher education, and with that demand he entirely sympathised. There was nothing more worthy and nothing which excited his admiration more than a fight of the men who sought to make good the lack of learning which had been denied to them in their early days. People in ever increasing numbers were seeking a University education, and the Universities, for their part, were trying to make it easier for people who had brains to make use of them.

It was because this desire for a higher standard of education was increasing that the Universities would play a great part in the future, and it was a little mean to take advantage of this bill to disfranchise them. To retain the University representation would redound to the credit of the Labour party.

Mr. Arthur Greenwood said that as a university voter he was unrepentant in his attitude towards the clause. Nothing had been said which really touched the fundamentals of the problem. People who had left a university forty years ago had no moral right to speak for that university, and some of the most stupid people he had known had been men of learning. The Conservatives were anxious to retain every shred of privilege, because they dare not trust the people. No one would convince him that by giving a graduate a vote they were doing anything for education.

THE DIVISION.

The result of the division, which was taken on the question that the clause stand part of the bill, was a defeat for the Government.

As the tellers approached the table it was seen that the Government were defeated, and Conservative members rose in a body and loudly cheered. Order papers and hats were waved, and as Sir F. Thomson, one of the Opposition tellers, made an attempt to read out the figures his voice was drowned in a fresh outburst.

When at last the Chairman Sir Robert Young) secured a semblance of calm, the figures were announced as follows:—

For the rejection of the clause...	246
Against ...	242
Opposition majority.....	4

Another demonstration followed the reading of the figures, and cries of "Resign" were flung across the floor of the House.

Mr. Baldwin rose to ask the Prime Minister what course he proposed to take, and suggested that, all things considered, it would be better to put an end to the bill.

The Prime Minister replied that the matter would be considered. He would not say more than that. The matter would be considered before the bill was put down again.

The debate was then adjourned.

BILL MAY BE ABANDONED.

FROM A LOBBY CORRESPONDENT.

In the division on which the Government was defeated Mr. Lloyd George and most of the Liberals voted with the Government. Liberals who voted with the Conservatives included Sir John Simon, Sir Robert Hutchison, Dr. Morris Jones, Colonel England and Mr. James Duncan Millar, K.C.

The Labour attendance was considerably below normal for an important occasion. In addition to this disadvantage from the point of view of the Government's safety, some Labour members who were present abstained from voting. Two Labour members—Major A. G. Church, M.P. for Central Wandsworth, and Colonel Wedgwood, M.P. for Newcastle-under-Lyme—voted against the Government.

The Government's defeat caused much excitement. Ministers may now be expected to consider very seriously whether the bill should be proceeded with. The bill has never made any great appeal to Labour sympathies. Its main provision is the alternative vote, which attracts support from most of the Liberals, and other clauses deal with the abolition of plural voting and university representation, the reduction of election expenses, and the regulation of the use of motor vehicles at elections.

Since the withdrawal of the Trade Disputes Bill because of the insertion of a Liberal amendment to the illegal strike clause, Labour voting in divisions on the Electoral Reform Bill has reflected the absence of enthusiasm for this measure on the Labour benches. It will not be surprising if the Government solves its difficulties by abandoning the bill.

THE SENATE AND DAIL.

PROGRAMMES FOR THIS WEEK.

THE TOWN TENANTS AND TRAFFIC BILLS.

FROM OUR POLITICAL CORRESPONDENT.

GOVERNMENT Buildings in Merrion street and Leinster House will be closed for the national holiday. At about five o'clock this evening President Cosgrave will send another radio message to America.

His address on Sunday last went over very successfully, and numerous cables received at Government Buildings yesterday from places as far apart as New York, Brooklyn, Chicago, Indianopolis all testified to the excellent reception of the message, as well as of Mr. Sterling's introductory speech.

THE SENATE.

To-morrow both the Senate and the Dail will sit. The Senate, in addition to the motion to be proposed by Sir John Keane regarding the relations of the Local Government Ministry with the local administrative bodies, will have for consideration a series of bills, including the Hairdressers' Bill, second reading; Limerick Harbour Bill, report; Agricultural Bill, committee; Aliens Restriction Bill, committee; Courts of Justice Bill, report; Public Health (Special Expenses) Bill, report; Dublin Poor Relief Bill, report; Defence Forces (Temporary Provisions) Bill, report; Legitimacy Bill, second stage.

In connection with the Agricultural Bill Senator Linehan has given notice of several amendments.

THE DAIL.

TOWN TENANTS BILL AT LAST.

In the Dail, after the Land Bill Committee stage has been disposed of, the House will be occupied for the most part of the week with the Vote on Account, upon which any number of topics may be raised.

It seems that deputies who have been anxiously inquiring for the Town Tenants Bill will at last have their curiosity satisfied by the production of the measure, probably to-morrow.

From all that one hears about it there is every probability that the new bill will be far short of the comprehensive and far-reaching measure which some expected. It will, as already foreshadowed, deal with compensation for disturbance, under which head a very large number of items may be included; also it will deal with questions as to the renewal of leases, compensation for improvements, and will give better protection for business premises.

DECONTROL OF RENTS.

People who thought that it would deal with the decontrol of rents seem likely to be disappointed. My information is that it does not refer to rent control, rent restriction, or rent legislation in any form. Under present conditions and in the absence of further legislation complete decontrol of houses of lower valuation will occur automatically during the present year. Houses of higher valuation have already been decontrolled.

Many had hoped that the new bill would continue control, but apparently the Government thinks that decontrol must come to an end some time, and that in the circumstances which now exist the ordinary law of supply and demand will tend to the stabilisation of rents at reasonable figures. Whether provision will be made for exceptional cases remains to be seen.

THE TRANSPORT BILL.

Notwithstanding statements to the contrary, it can be said that no progress has yet been made with the big Transport Bill which is to regulate the relations between railway and road transport and give relief to the railway companies in matters of unfair competition and in other respects. The subject has, of course, been considered by the Government in some of its aspects, and the heads of a scheme suggested by the Great Southern Company have been considered, but no advance towards a solution of a very difficult problem has yet been made.

"HUMILIATED" MINISTRY.

LABOUR TO DEMAND RESIGNATION.

NEW POLITICAL MOVE IN AUSTRALIA.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

SYDNEY, Monday.

"No New South Wales body has the authority to expel me from the Labour movement. Mr. Lang's henchmen will finish like the chief priests of the French Revolution, by terrorising each other, and all will eventually go to the guillotine."

This was how Mr. Theodore, that stormy petrel of Australian politics, replied to-day to the announcement that the Metropolitan Labour Conference meeting at Sydney had unanimously expelled him from the party. The Conference disapproved of Mr. Theodore because of his opposition to the repudiation policy advocated by Mr. Lang.

The Canberra Correspondent of the *Sydney Morning Herald* states that a section of the Parliamentary Labour Party, believing that the Government's position is no longer tenable, will propose at to-morrow's meeting of the Caucus that the Government should resign. This section feels that the Ministry is only humiliated by remaining in office with the support of the Lang group.

ANOTHER RESIGNATION.

FROM "THE TIMES" CORRESPONDENT.

CANBERRA, Monday.

All observers are agreed that the days of the Scullin Ministry are numbered, and the only points on which they differ are how long the Ministry will stave off defeat, and what will be the manner of its passing.

To-day Mr. McGrath, Chairman of the Committees in the House of Representatives, announced his resignation from the Labour Party to throw in his lot with Mr. Lyons, who was acting Commonwealth Treasurer during Mr. Scullin's absence.

It was rumoured to-day that at the Labour Caucus to-morrow Mr. Scullin would resign and urge the party to leave the unpopular task of reconstruction to others. This rumour is discounted. The general belief is that Mr. Scullin's Ministry will retain office until it is defeated in Parliament or until the rejection of the fiduciary issue by the Senate enables it to seek a dissolution.

If the Ministry is compelled to resign and Mr. Latham is unable to give the Governor-General the necessary assurances, Mr. Lyons would be sent for. Mr. Lyons would accept the commission with the support of Mr. Latham.

The defection of Mr. McGrath has reduced the effective voting majority of the Ministry to three, making it even more dependent upon the favour of the frankly contemptuous and insolent Lang faction. Further resignations from the Party are feared, and it will be argued that to delay resignation will only further disintegrate the Party.

The trial began in Chicago yesterday of Leo Brothers, a St. Louis criminal leader, for the murder of Jake Lingle, a newspaper "crime reporter," in June last.

NATIONAL FESTIVAL.

HOW DUBLIN WILL SPEND THE DAY.

MILITARY PARADE IN THE CITY.

NUMEROUS SPORTING ATTRACTIONS.

TO-DAY the Feast day of Ireland's Patron Saint will be observed in the traditional manner in Dublin.

There will be no work anywhere, and banks, business houses, factories, workshops and Government departments will be closed for the day. It will be a "dry" day so far as the licensed trade is concerned.

IN THE CHURCHES.

There will be special Services in the various churches in the city and suburbs, and at St. Patrick's Cathedral and St. Andrew's Church, Suffolk street, there will be Services in the Irish language. The preacher in St. Andrew's will be the Rev. J. B. Shea, and traditional Irish hymns will be sung.

At the Pro-Cathedral, Marlborough street, there will be Masses from 5 a.m., and at 12 o'clock noon there will be Solemn High Mass preceded by the Office of Terce. The Archbishop of Dublin, Dr. Byrne, will preside, and after the first Gospel a sermon will be preached in the Irish language by the Rev. Father Canice, O.S.F.C.

MILITARY PARADE.

There will be the annual military parade through some of the principal streets of the city. The troops will start after 11 o'clock Mass on the square, Collins's Barracks, and the salute will be taken by the Minister for Defence at College Green at 1 o'clock.

Special excursion trains have been arranged on the Great Southern and Great Northern railways to enable excursionists to spend the day in different parts of the country. Those who like a sea-trip have a special excursion arranged between Dun Laoghaire and Holyhead on the London Midland and Scottish railway boat, with rail connections to North Welsh coast resorts. Many will no doubt make the trip.

RACING AND FOOTBALL.

Those who wish to spend the day in the city or the immediate surroundings have an attractive programme from which to choose. For racing folk there is an excellent card at Baldoyle—the first day of a two-days' meeting. No doubt the popular seaside course will attract its wonted large attendance.

Dog lovers will have a gala day at Ballsbridge, where, beginning at nine o'clock in the morning, the Irish Kennel Club's Dog Show will be held. It is always a largely attended function; and this year will be as well patronised as ever.

Of football there is a very full programme. All the codes have special fare. At Lansdowne road Rugby followers will have a couple of keen ties to watch in the Leinster Senior Cup.

At Croke Park the finals of the G.A.A. Railway Cups are sure to draw a very big "gate" to see the selected of Connaught and Munster in the hurling final, and Leinster and Munster in the football final. Trains from all parts of the Free State will bring thousands of enthusiasts to cheer on their teams.

FREE STATE SHIELD.

Under the Association code there are several engagements in the Free State Shield, any one of which will repay watching, though possibly the majority of the crowd will make their way to Harold's Cross for the game between Dolphin and Waterford.

The day is an important one in hockey circles, and there is a full session, starting with the much-discussed game between Naas and Railway Union in the Senior Cup final at Park avenue at 11.30. The Mills' Cup final between Wicklow and Three Rock Rovers will be played at Lohdonbridge road, whilst the Intermediate and Minor Cup finals and the Railway Cup final will be staged at Claremont road.

The programme is full of variety and interest for the day's pleasure, and all that is required is a spell of good weather.

GANDHI MEETING IN AN UPROAR.

COMMUNISTS HOIST RED FLAG.

SHOUTS OF "DOWN WITH CONGRESS."

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

BOMBAY, Monday.

A handful of members of the "Red Flag Union" created an uproar this evening when Mr. Gandhi addressed a large public meeting in the mill area.

Before his arrival, rowdies of the "Red Flag Union" forced their way into the meeting, mounted the rostrum, pulled down the Congress flag, and hoisted the Red Flag in its place. All these operations were accompanied by shouts of "Down with Congress" and "Down with Gandhi!"

Congress volunteers later succeeded in reinstating the Congress flag.

Mr. Gandhi, amid continual interruption from the Red Flag supporters, said that Congress would stand by the Lahore independence resolution, which would be reiterated at the Karachi Congress. He added that a clear mandate would be given to Congress leaders attending the Round Table Conference that they should accept no scheme of independence which did not contain the substance of independence.

RELIGIOUS RIOTING.

Riotous scenes occurred yesterday at Nasik, when the "war" between caste Hindus and "Untouchables" was revived over the demand of the "Untouchables" to be admitted to the Temple of Kalaram. Five thousand "Untouchables," according to *The Times of India*, resorted to passive resistance, lying on the ground in the temple courtyard, and fighting ensued, in which several persons were injured by stones.

An armed guard has now been placed at the temple gates.

A similar agitation took place last year, and was only suspended through the intervention of the leaders of both sections.

POLICE OFFICAL SHOT.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

CHITTAGONG, Monday.

Sasanka Bhattacharjee, an assistant sub-inspector in the Criminal Investigation Department, was shot at to-day in the village of Barama, twenty miles from here. He was taken to hospital, where he was found to have been wounded in the abdomen. His condition is precarious.

A Reuter message from Marseilles states that eight passengers of the Paris to Ventimiglia express were slightly injured by broken glass in an accident a few miles beyond Marseilles yesterday. The express was passing a goods train when one of the waggons of the latter train became derailed and swung into the side of the coaches. All the injured persons were able to continue their journey after receiving first aid.

SEALING VESSEL BLOWS UP.

LOSS OF TWENTY LIVES.

SURVIVORS HUDDLED ON ICE FLOES.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

ST. JOHN'S, NEWFOUNDLAND, Monday.

The Viking, a fifty-year-old sealer, commanded by Captain Abram Keen, with a crew of 138, two stowaways and several cinema camera operators on board, has blown up at sea eight miles east of Horse Island, White Bay, with the loss of twenty lives.

Some of the survivors who have reached Horse Island report that their comrades are marooned on ice floes and that the Viking is a complete wreck.

The wireless operator on Horse Island says that the burning ship was visible from the shore and that he could see the survivors huddled together on the ice. It is believed that it will be exceedingly difficult for them to land, as the heavy ice is swept by an off-shore wind.

One of the passengers on board the Viking is Mr. Varick F. Rissel, a film director. He was engaged with several camera-men in taking pictures for a film depicting the adventurous life on board a sealer.

The Viking left St. John's with eight others on March 9th.

A message reporting the loss of the boat was read in the Newfoundland House of Assembly by the Prime Minister, Sir Richard Squires.

Horse Island is about twenty miles from Lewisporte, whence the only method of transport to Cape St. John, the nearest railway station, is by dog team.

According to the latest details the Viking disaster was due to an explosion of gunpowder, which blew off the stern of the vessel and inflicted heavy casualties among both officers and passengers.

FIFTY SURVIVORS.

Later.

Fifty survivors from the ill-fated sealer, Viking, have now reached the shore of Horse Island.

They are unable to give a coherent story of the disaster. It is supposed that the explosion was caused while the crew were filling tins with the powder used to blast openings through the ice-floes, and that a spark from a pipe fell among the 25-pound iron powder kegs. Everybody in the cabin was hurled overboard and killed.

The possibility of the relief ships reaching the scene in time to save the injured and others still among the ice-floes is doubtful. A north-east gale, with snow and intense frost, prevails in the locality.

RESCUE STEAMER ON WAY.

NEW YORK, Monday.

Messrs. Bowring Bros., Ltd., the owners of the sealer Viking, state that they have received the following message from their St. John's (Newfoundland) office:—

"The explosion occurred on board the Viking at 9 p.m. on Sunday, eight miles east of Horse Island, White Bay. Men are walking ashore on ice floes and report about twenty dead. All the crew have not yet landed.

"A steamer, with doctors and nurses, etc., has been despatched to her assistance. Little information is available at present."

CARDINAL MAFFI DEAD.

VICTIM OF SEVERE INFLUENZA.

FROM REUTER'S CORRESPONDENT.

PISA, Tuesday.

The death is announced of Cardinal Maffi.

It was Cardinal Maffi who performed the marriage ceremony of the Prince of

Piedmont and the Princess Marie José of Belgium. The Cardinal had a severe attack of influenza last month, and after a partial recovery suffered a relapse.

The Pope, who was kept continually informed of the progress of the Cardinal's illness, had sent Cardinal Maffi his special Benediction. Extreme Unction was again administered yesterday at a moment when the illness was at its worst. The Cardinal, declaring that he wished to show by his example the necessity of taking the Sacrament in time, got up, put on his purple robes and received Extreme Unction kneeling before an improvised altar in the sick-room.

TERMS OFFERED TO BEET-GROWERS.

Dr. Addison, Minister of Agriculture, stated in the House of Commons yesterday that the companies of the Anglo-Dutch group of beet sugar factories had declared that they were prepared to operate their factories for the manufacture of white sugar from home-grown beet in the 1931 season, not for the purpose of making profits or increasing their reserves, but in order to utilise the whole net proceeds in payments to farmers. No charge would be made for depreciation, for directors' fees or for salary increases. Growers would receive from these companies during the season payments on account at 30s. per clean ton of beet of 15½ per cent. sugar content.

Additional payments would be made if the markets justified it. The reserves of the five companies of the Anglo-Dutch group amounted to £1,046,845.

Dr. Addison added that the terms offered to growers of beet by those factories that had accepted the Government offer provided a firm price of 38s. per ton for beet of 15½ per cent. sugar content.

ARCHBISHOP OF CANTERBURY'S HEALTH.

The Ecclesiastical Correspondent of the *Daily Telegraph* writes:—Unless there is unforeseen delay, the Archbishop of Canterbury will begin his Mediterranean cruise with Mr. Pierpont Morgan on the yacht Corsair to-day. A great deal depends upon the voyage, for I have good authority for stating that His Grace has been taking into serious consideration the question of resigning his See. If he does not feel at the end of a reasonable convalescence, such as that upon which he is now embarking, that there is good prospect of his being able to resume the full discharge of his responsibilities he is resolved to follow the precedent, unique in English ecclesiastical history, set by his immediate predecessor.

THE IRISH SUGAR BEET DISPUTE.

MATTER UNDER CONSIDERATION IN BELGIUM.

HURRIED CONFERENCES HELD IN DUBLIN.

FROM OUR AGRICULTURAL CORRESPONDENT

CARLOW, Monday.

WHEN asked to-day if there was any fresh development regarding the price of sugar beet for 1931, an official of the Irish Sugar Manufacturing Company, Ltd., replied: "I have nothing to say at the moment. The whole matter is now under consideration in Belgium, where one of the Irish directors and some officers of the company have gone to interview the promoters with a view to having the disagreement settled."

It was subsequently learned that the directors of the company had been in conference with Dr. Hinchcliffe, of the Department of Agriculture, in Dublin last Saturday, and that following this meeting they left for Belgium, where the whole position will be reviewed in the light of existing conditions. It had been the intention of the company's representatives to meet the Executive of the Irish Beet Growers' Association yesterday, but this arrangement was cancelled because of the decision of the company's Irish representatives to go to Belgium. They are expected home on Thursday or Friday next.

CALLED TO DUBLIN.

Meanwhile, a Committee meeting of the Irish Beet Growers' Association was held in Carlow yesterday, when an urgent message was received from Dr. Hinchcliffe, summoning the chairman, secretary and members of the Executive to a conference at the offices of the Department of Agriculture. When I attended at the offices of the Irish Beet Growers' Association here to receive a statement, I was informed that Mr. Fahy, the secretary, and certain members of the Executive had gone to Dublin as requested.

When seen last night, Mr. Fahy, secretary of the Irish Beet Growers' Association, stated: "For the moment, while we are expecting developments, we think it much better to say nothing."

THE COMPANY'S OFFER

BEET GROWERS' REPLY.

Following a Committee meeting of the Irish Beet Growers' Association, held in Carlow to-day, the appended statement was issued in reply to the Irish Sugar Manufacturing Company, Carlow, regarding the company's reduced offer for the 1931 beet crop. The price offered for this season's crop is 38s. for beet containing 15½ per cent. sugar, or 8s. per ton under last season's crop, "owing to the depressed state of the sugar market."

The Beet Growers' Association's statement reads:—

"There is no room for any doubt as to the inadequacy of the factory's offer when one scrutinises the full facts and figures. For the 1929-30 campaign, the factory paid 15 per cent. dividend and carried forward a balance of £6,000 odd, as well as writing off £40,000 for depreciation on premises and plant. In that year they manufactured 20,000 tons of sugar, and the price paid for beet was 46s. basic.

"Sugar has fallen £3 10s. per ton (Irish Sugar Manufacturing Company's figure) since, pulp has fallen £1 per ton (Beet Growers' Association estimate), which means that if the factory turn-out of the 1931 crop 20,000 tons of sugar at these present-day prices they will be short £82,000 as compared to 1929-30. To counteract this drop in price of their products they will receive in the form of cash subsidy from the Government £54,000 more for 1931 crop than they did for the 1929-30 campaign, which still will leave a deficit of £28,000.

"To obtain this deficit by reducing the price of beet and thus maintain their 15 per cent. dividends, it would be necessary to reduce the price of sugar beet by 3s. per ton. The Irish Sugar Manufacturing Company's proposal is to reduce the price by 8s., which would enable them to pay a dividend of well over 20 per cent. or to further enhance their huge reserves.

ROCK BOTTOM.

"During the dispute two years ago the Irish Sugar Manufacturing Company directors stated repeatedly that they were entitled to expect a 10 per cent. dividend and 10 per cent. depreciation, and by putting this into practice now it would leave available a further £20,000, which, together with their carry-over, would wipe out the deficiency of £28,000 mentioned above and leave the price of beet unaltered.

"Sugar is generally believed to have reached the bottom as regards price, so that any rise in price during the next twelve months would be money found for the Irish Sugar Manufacturing Company.

"Though there is no necessity for comparing the recent settlement in England with an Irish one, we must comment on a recent statement made by the Irish Sugar Manufacturing Company in an attempt to justify their offer: That the 2 per cent. 'water tare' exists in England and does not exist here: that no freight allowance is given in England. Both these statements are incorrect. The 2 per cent. water tare does not exist in England. There is an arrangement whereby no beet grower in England has to pay more than 8s. freight.

THE ENGLISH RATE.

"They also state that they have always paid the same price as the English factories, whereas the English factories have been paying approximately 1s. 4d. per ton more for beet owing to their higher valorisation of sugar content over 15½ per cent. This attempt to justify the Irish offer by producing an imaginary 1s. to bridge a gap of 12s. which actually exists when both cases are compared, is surely not convincing.

"The Beet Growers' Association have no desire to be unreasonable in their attitude with regard to price; but when an attempt such as is being made at present to ride roughshod over the growers' interests, whom the Association represents, the Association will use every means in its power to frustrate the unjustifiable action, and we are doing so with the assurance that we have 100 per cent. of the growers behind us."

LATE NEWS.

BY SPECIAL ARRANGEMENT WITH "THE TIMES."

A REVENUE TARIFF.

EXPERTS' PLAN.

In a leading article *The Times* to-day observes:—The number of influential converts to a belief in tariffs is steadily growing. During the week-end Sir Josiah Stamp, an economist and industrialist of world-wide reputation, endorsed the conclusion recently published by Mr. Keynes, that nothing can meet the critical situation of this country so quickly and so effectively as the bold and comprehensive imposition of duties upon imports. These two authorities are also generally agreed upon the kind of tariffs most suitable to our case. They advocate a general tariff at a uniform rate upon all goods entering this country, with the exception of such commodities as are most obviously raw materials.

With a caution which, perhaps, takes more account of theory than of practical realities, they both advise that if, and when, prices reach a higher level, the duties should be automatically removed. Moreover, Sir Josiah Stamp, although he does not specifically say so, would clearly not quarrel with Mr. Keynes's further proposal—namely, that imported foodstuffs should also be subject to a much smaller, but uniform, duty, and that the levels of the two kinds of duties upon goods and upon foodstuffs should be high enough to raise a very large revenue, estimated at between £50,000,000 and £75,000,000 a year. In short, the main features of their plan are that the duties should be immediate, undiscriminating as between one kind of goods or foodstuffs and another, highly productive, invariable, and terminable by reference to facts and not to opinions. It is worth adding that the duties are to be strictly protectionist in character, because no countervailing Excise duties are to be imposed.

JUSTIFICATION FOR TARIFFS.

It is true that tariffs alone will not restore prosperity, adds *The Times*. The justification for tariffs is that they ought, on the one hand, to give industry confidence to reorganise, because producers will know that they have a better chance of a bigger market, with more stable prices; and, on the other hand, to give industry the resources to reorganise, because they will lessen the burden of direct taxation; and the last and greatest hope implicit in a revenue tariff is that it may make possible a real tariff truce, very different from the ludicrously unilateral bargain upon which the present Government has wasted so much time and trouble without even achieving it.

DUBLIN GAS.

In a leading article the *Financial Times* of to-day says:—One of the most progressive undertakings of its kind on either side of St. George's Channel, the Alliance and Dublin Consumers' Gas Company, continues to render an excellent account of itself. A feature of its recent progress, which was more than maintained during the second half of 1930, has been the increasing popularity of its main product, not only with private consumers but also with industrial concerns, which are quick to appreciate the advantages of the older form of energy for heating purposes in particular. It is gratifying, but not therefore surprising, to find that, notwithstanding the unusually mild winter, sales of gas largely exceeded those of the corresponding six months of 1929.

GRAND NATIONAL SWEEPSTAKE.

ALL-DAY QUEUES OF PURCHASERS.

THE FIRST TICKET FOR THE DERBY.

THE Sweepstake on the Grand National closes to-morrow night, when it is expected that the prize-money will total at least £1,000,000. It would not be surprising, indeed, if the prize-money were well in excess of this sum; for it is understood that up to yesterday evening £950,000 had been received and allocated to the prize fund.

The correspondence from all parts of the world has grown to such an extent within the last couple of weeks that special arrangements have had to be made for its carriage from the Post Office to the offices in Earlsfort terrace.

LAST HOURS' RUSH.

When the Sweepstake closes to-morrow night it is expected that the volume of correspondence will be so large that it will take the staffs, working day and night, two to three days to clear it off.

The numbers of personal callers at the offices in Dame street have now increased to such an extent that Civic Guards have to be one duty from 9 a.m. to 11 p.m. controlling the queues of purchasers of tickets.

FIRST TICKET FOR THE DERBY.

Full particulars about the Sweepstake on the Derby will be issued this evening. The Sweepstake was formally launched yesterday, when the Governor-General of the Free State purchased the first ticket from Sir William Taylor, Chairman of the Hospitals Committee, at the Viceregal Lodge.

Subsequently Sir William Taylor, Right Hon. T. K. Laidlaw, Surgeon Barniville, Dr. P. T. McArdle and Dr. J. B. Magennis had the honour of lunching with the Governor-General.

Already thousands of applications for tickets in the Derby Sweepstake have been received, and attention will be given to them immediately that the Grand National Sweepstake closes.

RUSSIAN RAZOR BLADES.

The *Morning Post* says:—There are on offer in Sheffield 25,000,000 Russian-made razor blades at 1s. 9d. per gross. The cost for steel alone to the British manufacturer is 6s. per gross.

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DUBLIN OPERATIC SOCIETY.

PRODUCTIONS AT GAIETY THEATRE.

FIRST DUBLIN PERFORMANCE OF "GIANNI SCHICCHI."

The Dublin Operatic Society earned heartiest congratulations last night by the excellence of its production of two operas—an old favourite in "Cavalleria Rusticana" and a novelty in Puccini's "Gianni Schicchi." At the conclusion of the performances Maestro Viani, the Society's conductor, was accorded an ovation by the large audience assembled in the Gaiety Theatre.

Because of its novelty, "Gianni Schicchi" may claim first attention, though it came second in the programme. It is one of three operas which were intended by the composer to form together a complete programme. He called these three "Il Tritico." "Gianni Schicchi," the third of the trio, is comedy. In its place in the "Tritico" it offered a pleasant contrast to the other two members of the set. It loses nothing by being separated from them. Besides being an opera that can be counted on to please unless it is mishandled, it has the advantage for an amateur society that it contains a large number of small solo parts.

Critical opinion on this opera, which was produced for the first time in New York in 1918, is expressed by a writer in "Grove's Dictionary of Music" as follows:—

"The third opera, 'Gianni Schicchi,' on the other hand, had delighted by its deftness, skill and *vis comica*, even those who found little to praise in any other work of Puccini. The action fits admirably the requirements of the one-act play. It is swift, varied, interesting, and the music aids it at every point. It adds lyrical charm to the by-play of the two young lovers, and it gives zest to the adventure of the Florentine rogue who turns the greed of Donati's heirs to his advantage. Thus, vivacity, wit and humour rob the story of whatever gruesome feature it might have had it been less ably told."

The audience at the Gaiety Theatre last night was quite satisfied that "Gianni Schicchi" is an opera to be enjoyed both for its fun and its music. The performance went gaily, and even in the minor parts there was a good deal of clever character acting. In the part of the old rogue Gianni himself, Mr. Michael Gallagher sang confidently, and acted with comic freedom. Most of the lyrical strains fall to the lovers, Rinuccio and Lauretta, and these parts were taken with great ability by Mr. Harry Thornton and Miss Veronica Keary. Mr. Thornton's singing of the song in which he extols the ingenuities of Schicchi was particularly clever. Mr. Peter McCormack as the notary and Mr. John Yeates as the doctor were among the more prominent members of the cast, which included also Ella Clarke (Zita), Alice Maclean (Nella), Carmel O'Callaghan (Ciesa), James Gattens (Gherardo), Thomas S. Kealy (Betto) and Kevin Nolan (junior), a very young member of the cast.

"CAVALLERIA RUSTICANA."

Santuzza	Gertie Liddy
Lola	Patricia Black
Lucia	Evelyn D'Arcy
Turridu	Patrick Kirwan
Alfio	John Nolan

"Cavalleria Rusticana" also had a good cast of principals, but was most particularly admirable for the excellence of the choral work. The chorus was large, and certainly contained a large proportion of good voices. "The Easter Hymn," "Now Homeward Returning," and the chorus to the Drinking Song were sung with splendid volume of tone. Just a trifle more of quickness in taking up the leads in the several parts would have made them perfect performances. The *tempi* were in every case a little slower than those we have been accustomed to hear in professional performances, but they were appropriate and effective, proving the conductor right in deciding on them in view of the size of the choral body.

All the principals displayed wealth of tone, as well as accuracy and expression, in their singing. No professional company within my knowledge of operatic performances in Dublin has presented here a better performance of Mascagni's opera.

An interesting feature of the staging was the position of the church, which was placed in the centre instead of to the right. In both operas an efficient orchestra was employed. Maestro Viani handled it ingeniously to give leading and support to the singers. The stage work showed the results of Mr. Herbert Bailey's direction.

OBBLIGATO.

MUNSTER AND LEINSTER BANK R.F.C.

Last night, in the Gresham Hotel, Dublin, a most successful St. Patrick's Eve dance was held under the auspices of the Munster and Leinster Bank Rugby Football Club.

There was a very good attendance of club members and their friends, and dancing was continued until after 3 a.m. to the music of Mick Brown and his band.

The arrangements for the dance were in the hands of a most capable committee, Mr. E. S. O'Reilly acting as honorary secretary.

Among those present were:—Miss Kennedy, who wore a pretty pink net frock; Mrs. Gleeson was wearing a graceful black satin beauté gown; Mrs. E. S. O'Reilly came in a smart black fish net frock, with a scarlet velvet coatee; Mrs. Thomson wore a black velvet coatee with her flame-coloured georgette gown; Miss A. V. Mulreed's frock was of red georgette; Miss Shelder wore an effective gown of silver lamé.

Emerald chiffon was chosen by Miss Kay, Miss Taft was in a pretty emerald green chiffon frock, while Miss Kersey was wearing blue chiffon; Miss McMahon's gown was of pink net, and Miss Peggy Murphy wore a soft flowered ninon frock, while Miss Flusk was in a primrose georgette frock.

There were also present:—K. O'Farrell, L. de M. Dillon, F. J. Flynn, D. O'Callaghan, G. H. Moran, J. J. Sheehan, J. M. Dunlea, A. F. Hall, E. Ryan, T. G. McRory, E. S. O'Reilly, J. M. Gargan and party, E. O'Shaughnessy, Miss Eileen Fluck, A. S. Fairley, J. W. O'Reilly and party, J. G. Thornhill, George Hickey, Mrs. Towers, Miss M. Walsh, Miss P. Murphy, Miss M. Brophy.

IRISH NURSES' DANCE.

Under the auspices of the Irish Nurses' Association, an enjoyable dance was held in the Metropole Ballroom, Dublin, last night. There was an attendance of about three hundred people, and dancing was continued from 9 p.m. till 2 a.m.

A BIG LIGHTING CONTRACT.

The British Thomson-Houston Company, Ltd., manufacturers of Mazda Lamps, have been successful in securing from the Great Northern Railway (Ireland), Amiens street Station, Dublin; a twelve months' contract for the supply of Mazda Automobile Lamps.

A Reuter's message from Greenborough, North Carolina, states that a party given in honour of the team of British women golfers there on Sunday was marred by the sudden death of an American woman guest, which brought the proceedings to an abrupt termination.

PUT AN END TO SLEEPLESS NIGHTS

No longer need you suffer the tortures of insomnia. There's a certain way to cure it that doctors have known and recommended for nearly fifty years. Sleeplessness comes from disordered nerves, restless, irritable nerves, which will not leave you alone.

Just take a glass of Wincarnis at 11.30 a.m., at 3.30, and before going to bed. You'll find relief the very first night, for Wincarnis is the surest quietener of tired nerves a doctor knows. Containing wine—the juice of 2½ lbs. of the finest grapes—meat extract and vitamin malt extract, Wincarnis is not a drug but a perfectly natural way to build up health and strength, to create new blood and restore jaded nerves.

Try this simple, pleasant way to perfect sleep and perfect health to-day. Take it always when you're run down or convalescent after illness. Doctors recommend it for neurasthenia, anaemia, debility, neuralgia, and a host of other ailments.—(Advt.)

CLAY PIGEON SHOOTING AT BRAY.

ALL READY FOR INTERNATIONAL CONTESTS.

STRONG TEAMS FROM SCOTLAND, ENGLAND AND WALES.

THE first international clay pigeon shooting meeting to be held in Ireland takes play on Friday and Saturday at Woodbrook, Bray, and the arrangements for the event have now been completed. The four teams from England, Ireland, Scotland and Wales have been selected.

The three visiting teams are expected to arrive on Thursday evening, and will be met at the boat by Mr. T. Glynn, the Honorary Secretary of the Irish Clay Pigeon Shooting Association, and members of the Committee.

MANY VISITORS.

Many visitors are expected in the capital for the meeting, and it is known that over fifty shots, including the team, will travel from England, and about thirty-five shots from both Scotland and Wales.

On Friday the main event will be the open International Challenge for the Governor-General's Cup, in which teams of twelve aside will compete. On Saturday will be staged the big event of the meeting, the International Team Match for teams of twenty-four aside for the International Cup.

On each day there will be two special open events in which internationals will not be allowed to compete. There will also be three other competitions open to all, internationals included. For all the competitions there will be valuable cash prizes.

Throughout the two days an open pool shooting competition will be held. In this competition a man shoots until he misses, the top score being 25. He can enter for it as many times as he pleases.

For any of these competitions previous entry is not necessary, so that shots from all over Ireland, as well as from the three other competing countries, will be able to take part. At the meeting of the Committee in the Dolphin Hotel, Dublin, last night, Mr. T. Glynn, the Honorary Secretary, stated that he had received several applications from all over the country with regard to the open competitions.

For the banquet on Saturday, at which it is expected that the Governor-General of the Free State, President Cosgrave, and several Free State Ministers will be present, there are still some tickets available, and these can be had on application to the honorary secretary. The banquet will be held in the Dolphin Hotel.

TRAIN AND 'BUS.

Special train and omnibus services have been arranged for taking visitors to Woodbrook on Friday and Saturday, and arrangements have been made for the free parking of motor cars on the grounds of Woodbrook. The meeting opens at 10 a.m. on each day, but practice shooting will be permitted between 9 a.m. and 10 a.m.

Ireland is rather out of luck at present, for one of her best shots, Mr. Burke, of Galway and Glasgow, is unable to travel; while G. S. Good, of Cork, the well-known Munster champion, who is ill with influenza, may not be fit enough to compete.

THE TEAMS.

SCOTTISH TEAM—W. McBean (captain), W. J. Campbell, D. MacNicol, F. McIntosh, G. L. Caithness, A. McFarlane, T. Grierson, Gregor MacDonald, G. R. Stephenson, D. W. Hanton, D. Campbell, D. R. Cameron, D. K. Michie, W. Robertson, A. Grierson, J. W. McCrirrick, E. Ormiston, D. Davidson, J. Howe, T. McLellan, Donald Lamont, George Fraser, John McLeish, D. McLaren; and reserves, A. P. McAinsh, J. Littlejohn, J. C. Snodgrass.

ENGLISH TEAM—C. Lucas (captain), J. Roberts, Major H. R. Northover, O.B.E., M.C.; E. Elliott, A. Turner, S. A. Huddlestone, P. Catteral, C. H. Champion, C. B. Bass, W. Hetherington, D. Gregory, P. Stanbury, W. E. Harriss, W. M. Hamilton, M. Young, A. Banber, Captain E. J. W. Noakes, T. S. Barkell, J. W. Hugill, Major H. G. Ely, C. G. Fry, W. Ford, E. Hill, J. H. Chick, Captain T. L. Edwards.

Mr. M. T. Hodding, J.P., who is over 90 years of age, and one of the oldest clay target shots in the world, is travelling to Ireland with the English team next Thursday and will take part in some of the open competitions.

WELSH TEAM:—D. M. David (captain), T. H. Hughes, J. Telford, H. Mountfield, J. R. Evans, C. Palmer, Tudor Williams, T. A. Henstock, H. J. Thomas, W. Tucker, J. John, W. M. Jones, J. Ellis, H. G. Jones, W. R. Williams, J. J. Davies, W. Teague, T. Davies, C. Davies, H. Jones, W. P. Jenkins, D. Daniels, W. M. Davies, N. Withers, J. M. Goodwin.

IRISH TEAM:—Dr. P. J. Keogh (captain), Dr. Spencer Sheill, M. G. A. Scally, F. Perry, T. Glynn, J. D. Stuart, E. Stuart, L. Keegan, Major J. Henshaw (all of Dublin); P. Freyne, J. McDermott, C. Farrell (of Maynooth), Supt. D. J. Twomey (of Abbeyleix), E. Wynne (of Maryborough), Commandant J. Hannon, J. C. Good, M. J. Hunt, Dr. Duggan (of Cork), E. Studdert, T. Crowe, E. J. Gleeson (of Clare), J. McCormack (of Galway and Kingussie), J. Campbell, J. Shannon (of Limavady). The reserves are G. Cahill (of Cork), T. Perry (of Dublin), T. Campbell (of Limavady), W. Bates (of Dublin), and J. O'Connell (of Cork).

It is interesting to note that Mr. J. D. Stuart and Mr. E. Stuart are father and son. Mr. J. D. Stuart is the traffic manager of the Dublin United Tramway Company, and his son is the youngest member of the Irish team.

SOUTH IRISH HORSE.

OLD COMRADES' ASSOCIATION DANCE.

THE Plaza Ballroom, Dublin, was the venue last night of a most successful dance, organised by the South Irish Horse Old Comrades' Association. The proceeds of the dance will be devoted to the memorial bed of the South Irish Horse in the Royal City of Dublin Hospital.

There were nearly 1,000 persons present and orders and decorations were worn. Shortly before midnight sprigs of shamrock were distributed to every guest, which happy thought was much appreciated by everyone, as the crest of the popular South Irish Horse Regiment was the cross of St Patrick, with the little shamrock emblazoned thereon.

An able committee had charge of all the arangements, and spot dances and specially numbered prizes were added attractions during the evening.

Among those present were Mrs. McCabe, who wore a becoming gown of flame-coloured net, with silver embroideries. Mrs. Meagher was in a graceful flowered blue taffeta gown, Mrs. Shepherd was wearing a sky-blue crepe-de-Chine frock, and Mrs. Jackson a flowered ninon frock. Mrs. Leeson came in a pretty pale green net frock, Mrs. W. J. Ferguson was wearing a charming coral pink georgette and silver ensemble, blue taffeta was worn by Miss Lauder. Miss Powell wore a smart jade green satin gown and Mrs. Kearon came in a black toilette, while Miss Hilton wore a frock of black crepe-de-Chine. Miss Cardon's gown was of gold chiffon velvet, Miss B. Hackett was in a soft white georgette frock, and Mrs. Cooke chose a black gown, with diamante trimmings.

Miss Lilian Bullock was in a pretty pink satin frock. Miss Sidney Callan chose a red chiffon frock. Mrs. J. MacBlair Stephens wore a black net gown, and Miss M. Kelly a pale green georgette frock. A lovely pale pink brocade and velvet gown was won by Miss Maureen Sullivan. Green satin was worn by Miss Betty Alexander. Mrs. Barrett was wearing a graceful black gown. Miss Hilda Collins was also dressed in black. Mrs. Martin wore a flowered chiffon frock, Miss Tyrell peach colour, Miss Davis black georgette, and Miss Watkins flesh-coloured lace.

A charming black georgette and lace gown was worn by Miss Lily Loftus. Miss Peggy Dolan also wore black georgette and lace Miss Phyl O'Dwyer was in a pretty flowered net frock, with a coatee to match. Miss Corry-Medlar's charming apple green chiffon velvet frock was worn with a coatee to match. Mrs. Hugh Hyland's gown was of black chiffon. Miss Rhoddy was wearing a green taffeta frock, while Mrs. Bird came in a green chiffon frock. Miss Leenane was in a black georgette frock.

The attendance included:—

General W. B. Hickie, K.C.B.; Brigadier-General R. C. Browne-Clayton, D.S.O.; Lieut.-Colonel I. W. Barns-Lindow, D.S.O.; Lieut.-Colonel F. F. McCabe, Major Robert Smyth, Major Guillamore O'Grady, Captain J. M. Wardell, Captain W. J. Ferguson, Major Tynan, D.S.O. (British Legion); Mr. A. P. Connolly (British Legion), Captain and Mrs. Musgrue, Captain Barrett, Captain S. Adamson, Major Machlan, Captain Brew Kennedy, Captain H. Maguire, Dr. Ashe, Dr. Trevor Smith, Dr. O'Connor, Mr. R. J. Dugnan and party, Miss Maureen O'Sullivan and party, Miss Mono Leech, Mr. S. Leech, Captain Dignam, Mr. and Mrs. J. Roche, Mr. H. C. Marriott, Mr. and Mrs. P. P. Meagher, Mr. Hamilton Keys, Mr. Myles Byrne, Mr. Joe Eustace, Mrs. Geo. Ray, Mr. McCormack, Mr. Arthur Pierce, Mr. Davy, Mr. James Power, Mr. J. A. Meagher, Mr. W. Young, Miss L. Harris, Mr. E. Macabee, Mr. and Mrs. G. Gilbert, Mr. and Mrs. A. V. Scott, Mr. and Mrs. W. R. Martin, Mr. G. Woods, Mr. J. McEntaggart, Mr. and Mrs. R. Darcy, Mr. Sam Lee and party, Mr. E. Williams, Mr. Dermot Knowd, Mr. P. Barnes, Mr. A. Crafter, Mr. and Mrs. Albert Sheppard, Mr. and Mrs. Fred. Leeson, Mr. Wesley Loian, Mr. and Mrs. J. Doran, Mr. Fred Price (R.E.), Miss Price, Mr. Sankin, Mr. and Mrs. R. Kearon, Mr. S. White, Miss Flora Fox, Mr. and Mrs. E. Harte, Mr. Sam Rothwell (R.E.), Miss Frances Powell, Mr. G. W. Ireland and party, Mr. W. Cahill (R.D.F.) and party, Mr. H. B. Price, Mr. and Mrs. E. S. Fiewett, Mr. R. M. Thom, Mr. R. Johnston, Mr. C. Dunphy, Mr. E. Ging, Mr. J. Fiewett, Mr. J. Atkinson, Mr. Mird, Mr. Mitchell, Mr. Frank Gray and party, Mr. W. Young, Mr. J. Carroll, Mr. J. Arthurs and party, Mr. Leadbeatter and party, Mr. T. Wheeler, Mr. J. Tuohy, Mr. E. N. MacFarlane, Mrs. N. Sheridan, Mr. M. M. Connor, Mr. B. Crone, Mr. J. Murnaghan, Mr. S. Brake, Mr. W. O'Shaugnessy, Mr. L. Graham, Mr. J. B. Brady, Mr. J. Breakey, Mr. A. S. Reynolds, Mr. P. J. Reilly, Miss May Kelly, Mr. R. Egan, Miss Cis Egan, Mr. Dillon Malone, Mr. J. Powderly, Miss P. Hafner, Mr. C. Hafner and party, Mr. H. Hurley, Mr. and Mrs. Ellis and party, Mr. and Mrs. L. A. O'Flynn, Mr. H. O'Toole, Mrs. T. Doyle, Mr. J. F. Shields, Mr. C. Burgess, Mrs. P. J. George, Mr. A. Thompson, Mr. A. Cooper, Mr. T. Jones, Miss M. Shaw, Mr. J. Salmon, Mr. P. J. McAree, Mr. T. Murphy, W. Bird, Mrs. Goss, Mr. W. J. Douglas, Mr. F. M. Bolger, Mr. P. Fox, Mr. A. Leech, Mr. Cummins, Mr. G. G. Maher, Mr. F. Eadie, Mr. and Mrs. Hurley, Mrs. G. Bigger, Mr. O'Connor, Miss Cooke, Miss Finlay, Mr. and Mrs. Jack Stephen, Mr. Wheeler, Mr. J. Bermingham, Mr. H. V. Vesey, Mr. T. McDonnell, Mr. H. B. McDonnell, Mr. T. Moloney, Miss Gogarty, Mr. J. B. Blundell and party, Mr. H. Williams, Mr. Albert MacArthur and party, Miss MacArthur, Mrs. Murtagh, Mr. Lenon, Miss B. Alexander, Miss A. Alexander, Mr. H. M. Crossley, Mr. C. J. Nolan, Mr. E. A. Cassidy, Mr. J. O'Brien, Mr. C. J. Nolan, Miss Riche, Mr. Anderson, Mr. F. A. Leopold, Mr. Aylward, Mr. Byrne, Miss Peggy Dolan, Mr. J. M. Wheeler, Mrs. M. Mitchell, Mr. Arthur Reynard, Mr. David Byrne, Mr. C. W. Chambers, Mr. J. Hayes, Miss M. Coogan, Mr. and Mrs. F. W. Scott, Mr. Nolan, Mr. E. White, Mr. A. Kinsella, Mr. R. Davidson, Mr. E. Wheeler, Mr. C. Ryan, Mr. W. Mooney, Miss B. McMahon, Mrs. Harty, Mr. Booth, Miss Magian, Mr. W. B. Bates, Mr. P. Geoghegan, Mr. J. L. Martin, Mr. Arthur Fraser, Miss Fraser, Mr. E. Egan, Mr. E. Cone, Mrs. W. W. Johnston, Mr. and Mrs. Crafter, Mr. J. P. Allen, Mr. E. Dormer, Miss Cunningham, Mr. P. J. Collopy, Miss Hilda Collins, Mr. W. Collopy, Miss Lauder, Mr. and Mrs. M. Henning, Mr. and Mrs. A. Seright, Miss M. Pappin, Mrs. Linane, Mr. H. C. Marriott, Mr. J. C. Rutley, Mr. J. P. Molderry, Mr. and Mrs. Sydney Scott, Miss E. Snape, Miss E. Skinnett, Mr. Simpson, Miss Coffey, Miss Rich, Mr. J. A. Meagher, Mr. and Mrs. Jackson, Mr. and Mrs. Pennefather, Mr. and Mrs. Myles Byrne, Mr. W. J. Keery, Mr. G. R. A. Verso, Mr. and Mrs. F. Hogg, Miss N. Bishop, Mr. H. Lemon, Miss Dorothy McFarland, Mr. and Miss Tyrell, Mr. D. Weld.

OBITUARY.

COLONEL FRANCIS CHARLES BURTON.

The death took place last week, at "Bythorne," Sandhurst road, Tunbridge Wells, of Colonel Francis Charles Burton, a member of a well-known Irish family, at the age of 87 years. Colonel Burton had a distinguished record in the Army. Educated at Wellington College on its foundation for the sons of Army officers, under Dr. Benson, and later at Sandhurst, he went, to India in 1866 as a junior officer in the 38th Regiment (Staffordshires), and after a period of service in the 9th Lancers, he transferred to the Bengal cavalry (Indian Army). In 1874 he was attached to the Quartermaster-General's Department at Simla, under Lord Roberts. In 1878, as a captain, he served through the Afghan War, commanding a Punjab Battalion under Lord Roberts. The following year he was Political Officer to the Khyber Field Force, and subsequently Chief Political Officer of the Khurd Kabul Area. For his services in the Afghan War he received the brevet rank of Major, and his name was specially mentioned in the House of Commons when thanks were moved to the Army in connection with that campaign. In 1885 he became Assistant Adjutant-General, and two years later he was promoted to Second-in-Command of the 1st Bengal Lancers. In 1891 he was appointed officiating Commandant of the 17th Cavalry. From 1892 to 1896 Colonel Burton commanded the 2nd Bengal Lancers at Allahabad. He was Adjutant and Quartermaster-General at Rawalpindi in 1896, and he was in command there from 1898 to 1901, when he retired. During the Great War he served in the War Office, and also in various places in charge of the Censor's departments. Colonel Burton was an accomplished athlete. He played for Ireland against England in the days before international caps were given; also, while at Sandhurst, he won the 200 yards handicap. Colonel Burton's wife and his family of three sons and one daughter predeceased him.

CAPTAIN R. D. POLLOCK.

The death is announced of Captain Robert D. Pollock, a noted business man, of Ward avenue, Bangor. He was a son of Mr. Francis R. Pollock, late Town Clerk of Bangor. He was founder of Messrs. R. D. Pollock and Company, public works contractors, Bangor, County Down, who have completed large public works contracts all over the country. He was one of the pioneers of reinforced concrete roads construction in Ireland, chairman of Messrs. R. J. Allam, Limited; owner of the Enniskillen Gas Company, and proprietor of an extensive farm in Northern Ireland. He served on the staff of the Royal Engineer Services during the Great War.

Captain Pollock was the Liberal candidate for County Down at the last general election for the Northern Parliament, but was defeated.

Captain Pollock had been at business on Friday, and his death on Saturday evening came as a great shock to his many friends.

DR. W. DONALDSON.

Dr. William Ireland Donaldson, whose death took place on Sunday last at his residence, "Fairholme," Ailesbury road, Dublin, was the second son of the late Dr. Robert Donaldson, of Fort Hill, Castlehane, Co. Monaghan. At an early age he entered Trinity College, Dublin, and obtained his B.A. Degree. He passed through the Medical School with the degrees of M.B. and B.Ch., and later proceeded to the higher degree of M.D. in Dublin University. Soon after he had been qualified he went to England and joined the Mental Hospital Service of the London County Council. Having served for some years as Senior Medical Officer of Cane Hill—one of the largest institutions of its kind in London—he was promoted to the post of Medical Superintendent of the Manor Mental Hospital, Surrey, where he served for over twenty years. During the Great War he joined the R.A.M.C., and served as Officer Commanding in a War hospital in the London district, with the rank of Lieutenant-Colonel. After his retirement he came to reside in Dublin.

Following a two-hours' meeting last night the 1,500 miners employed at the Haig and Wellington pits, Whitehaven, which have been idle since the explosion on January 29, when twenty-seven lives were lost, decided to restart work this morning.

NATIONAL BANK CLERKSHIPS.

6 of the 9 appointments at the last Exam. were gained by ROSSE COLLEGE, Stephen's Gn. Principal—A. Sparkhall Brown, B.Sc. (Lond.). —(Advt.)

THE MOSLEY PLAN.

MR. ALLEN DEFINES HIS POLICY.

FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.

BELFAST, Monday Night.

MR. W. E. D. Allen, M.P., who has joined the Mosley group, and has been requested by the West Belfast Unionist Association to resign his seat in West Belfast, had a very enthusiastic reception to-night, when he addressed a meeting in the Independent Labour Party Hall, York street, Belfast. The hall was packed and several hundred could not gain admission. It was obvious that the majority of those present, principally ardent Socialists, were opposed to the Mosley party; yet Mr. Allen was given a courteous and patient hearing.

Mr. Hugh Gemmell, the Chairman, said that the Independent Labour Party believed that every section of the community ought to be able to discuss their differences and point of view with the utmost courtesy and with fair play and good-will. Because of this and the rising tide of political thought in Belfast they invited Mr. Allen to their meeting.

Mr. Allen, who was well received, said that for some time past, and more particularly during the last few days, they would have seen that he was getting into trouble for attempting to uphold the very ideas of freedom of thought and action to which they in that hall, by their invitation to him that evening, had demonstrated they themselves adhered. While respecting, and, indeed, supporting whole-heartedly the very special religious and political principles of the province, he had endeavoured to proclaim the necessity of thinking economically, as well as politically, and, cost what it might, he proposed to maintain his stand for freedom of thought on economic questions among the Protestants and Unionists of Belfast.

Continuing, Mr. Allen said that neither the forces of Socialism in Great Britain, nor the forces of capitalism were sufficiently strong to develop national policy along lines consistent with their own interpretations of economic conditions.

RIVAL THEORIES.

The ship was drifting to disaster, while the two sections of the crew were wrangling over the principles of navigation. The Mosley plan did not attempt to reconcile the rival theories of Socialism and capitalism, but in a time of economic crisis, a crisis of appalling magnitude, which grew worse with every month that passed, the Mosley plan called for action, immediate and direct. It said in effect: "Let us save the admittedly capitalist ship, and when that ship is saved we can discuss, without prejudice, the distribution of the cargo." It calls a halt to the sterile antagonisms of the lobbies, and the committee rooms; and, in doing so, it infuriates the old gentlemen who were interrupted at their time-honoured game of political "put and take." The three party machines were up in wrath to excommunicate those who admittedly were not sticking to the rules of the party game.

"I think that you will find," he declared, "that this new party, and this emergency outlook, will make a profound appeal to those elements whom the old parties, by their abortive futilities and their irresponsible chicaneries have antagonised, disappointed and ignored."

He pointed out that large sections of the electorate refused now to vote in elections. The new party was a frank adoption of methods, borrowed as might seem fit from both Socialist and Tory theory, and represented a movement which responded to a widespread demand among the people for leadership and for action—the more direct the better. Their plan envisaged the scrapping of capitalist methods where such methods did not fit the immediate needs of the nation, and it envisaged the postponement of the application of Socialism where it appeared that the technical advantage of capitalist organisation met the needs of emergency reconstruction. The Mosley policy proposed the establishment of a National Planning Council, of a National Investment Board, Import Boards, and it proposed to set up a Housing Board to deal drastically with the slum clearance problem to meet the present grave situation in Great Britain.

The Mosley policy claimed that the most effective way to secure expansion of consumption through wages was by the insulation of the British industrial machine. The ideal solution was international agreement on hours, wages and markets; but they had to face the realities of the world to-day.

BASIS OF POLICY.

The basis of the new Mosley policy was the interest of the wage-earner and consumer, and it was only incidentally that industrial capitalism would benefit. Looking at it at its worst, the new party claimed that the interests of industrial capitalism were entitled to take precedence as time progressed. The new party envisaged the increasing participation of labour in the management, control and ownership of industry. Before he was old there would be no room for masters and men, but there would be only different categories of skilled technicians, of whom some would be technicians in management. They could not keep an educated people working and living on a basis of industrial feudalism. The new party sought to adopt the capitalist system in Great Britain to meet the progressive changes which it foresaw. The present socialist system was, in fact, the chauffeur of the capitalist system, and it was so busily engaged in trying to understand the mechanism of the high-powered car that the most it could do was to keep the road. The new party understood the mechanism. It was going joy-riding in the car, and was going to choose its own road. The Mosley plan proposed to have power to control the location of new industries. This, he believed, should be of great advantage to the industrial North of England and the North of Ireland. The new party was opposed to the present futilities of parliamentary procedure. A whole day recently was devoted to the discussion of the habits of rabbits. Meanwhile, there were two and a half millions unemployed.

In conclusion, he said that at the next general election they would put into the field sufficient candidates to enable the country to pass judgment on their policy.

THE BORDER.

A number of questions were put to Mr. Allen. One question asked if Mr. Allen was in favour of continuing the border. He replied: "I do, and, what is more, I consider from the point of view of the working class in Belfast that the interests of the industrial workers is closely bound up with the wages and conditions in Liverpool and Glasgow. The Free State is becoming a small, self-contained agricultural area. I consider our future altogether with the British industrial areas."

A general discussion followed, and all the speakers from the body of the hall expressed disagreement with the Mosley party.

THE GAELIC LEAGUE.

To-day the Gaelic League is making a special appeal to the whole Irish people for support of the movement to bring back the use of the Irish language in all their affairs. A general collection of funds is being made.

Lord Ashbourne, President of the League, says:—"Our appeal is to the thirty-two counties of Ireland. By no effort of the imagination can either of the Governments which divide between them the destinies of our unfortunate country be said to represent the nation as a whole. Ireland is not two, but one, and the national language is the only possible symbol of our unity. The task of the Gaelic League is to get our people, as a whole, to think along these lines. Once more we call upon all to come in and strengthen the movement. No political party can do the work that is before us. If we are strong and genuinely independent we are bound to win. Everything depends upon ourselves."

MAJOR-GENERAL SIR D. O'CALLAGHAN.

Not many soldiers will leave more pleasant memories behind them than Major-General Sir Desmond O'Callaghan, whose death in his eighty-ninth year *The Times* announces this morning. Few could claim to be imbued with a more soldierly spirit, a more generous feeling of comradeship, or a more genuine regimental pride than that cheery artillery-man. Yet he never saw a shot fired in anger, but spent over thirty years of his service in offices laboratories, magazines or in the experimental ranges of Woolwich or Shoebury.

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U.S. MARKETS.

LIST WELL SUPPORTED.

REUTER'S TELEGRAMS.

NEW YORK, Monday.

The recent resistance in face of unfavourable news, together with continued slow improvement in the steel industry, and the ready absorbtion of new bond issues was regarded as very encouraging. The opening was strong. The undertone was moderately cheerful, with operators apparently reconciled to the theory that the pace of business recovery demanded patience. A broad list of issues rose 1 to 5 points under the leadership of Utilities, but trading was apathetic, professionals appearing tired of the ineffectual churning about of shares. The U.S. Steel Corporation's annual statement was a very conspicuous item of news. The fact that the report ended with a conservative note of confidence in the future was regarded on Wall Street as significant, for no reference was made to the outlook in last year's report. The advance gained momentum in the final dealings, and the close was strong.

Government Bonds quiet. Railroad Bonds irregular. The day's sales totalled approximately 2,100,000 shares. Money on call closed steady at 1¼ per cent. bid., and 1½ per cent. asked. All business during the day was concluded at 1½ per cent. Sterling exchange steady. Silver 1⅛c. up at 31⅜.

	Mon.	Sat.
Call Money	1½pc. 1¼a	Noon. 4.83⅛
Exchange on Lon.—60 days sight	4.82⅛	4.82⅛
Do. Do. Demand Bills	4.85⅞2	4.85⅞2
Cable Transfers	4.85⅞6	4.85⅞6
Do. Montreal	4.85⅞	4.85⅞
Exchange Paris cable	3.91⅝	3.91⅝

Par.	Stocks.	Closing Bid. Mon.	Sat.
100⅝	Atchison Topeka, Santa Fe	100	100
110⅝	Do Preferred	107¼	107¼
77⅜	Baltimore and Ohio	73	73½
44	Canadian Pacific (New Stock)	42¾	42
42⅜	Chesapeake and Ohio Com.	41	41½
6⅜	Ch cago, Milwaukee, & St. Paul	6⅝	6⅛
38⅝	Chicago and North-West	37½	37½
21⅝	Erie Shares	20¾	20⅞
43½	Erie 1st Preferred	42¼	42¾
76⅛	Illinois Central	74	73½
100⅞	Louisville and Nashville	98	98¼
33⅝	Missouri Pacific	33	33¼
116⅝	New York Central & Hudson R.	113⅝	113⅝
20⅝	Norfolk and West Com.	200	200
55⅛	Northern Pacific Com.	53½	54½
61	Pennsylvania Shares	59¼	59½
77⅜	Reading Shares	75	75
102⅛	Southern Pacific	99¼	99¾
53½	Southern Railway	52	52
194⅛	Union Pacific	189	190
129⅜	American Can. (New Stock)	125½	124
51¼	American Smelting (New Stock)	51¾	51
40⅜	Anaconda Copper	39¼	39⅝
64⅞	Bethlehem Steel Com. Stock	63	60⅞
111⅛	Consolidated Gas (New York)	107⅞	108½
53½	General Electric (New Stock)	52	50⅞
43⅛	General Motors (New)	44⅛	44
16⅛	Inter Mer. Marine Com. Certs.	15¼	15½
18⅛	International Nickel	18⅜	18⅝
124⅛	National Lead	121	120¼
33⅛	Pan-American Petroleum "B"	32½	30¼
26½	Radio Corporation	25¾	25⅝
39¼	Royal Dutch Petroleum	38⅜	37⅝
30	Shell Transport and Trading	29⅜	29⅛
8¼	Shell Union Oil	8	7⅞
18⅛	U.S. Rubber	18¼	18¼
150⅛	United States Steel Common	146¼	144¼
151⅛	Do Preferred	147½	147½
27⅛	Brazilian Traction	27	27
20¼	Brit.-American Tobacco Coupon	20⅛	20
13⅜	Gramophone Co.	13	12¼
28⅛	Hydro Electric	27¼	27¼
13⅜	International Pet. Canada, New	13⅛	12⅞
—	Silver Commercial Bars	31⅜	30¼
	BONDS.		
109½	U.K. 5½% Bonds, 1937	106⅝	108⅛
92⅜	Do. Funding Loan 4%	89⅜	89⅜
102⅛	Do. War Loan 5%	100	100
109⅛	U.S.Treasury 3¼% Bds 1946-56	106⅛	106⅛
108⅛	7% German External Loan	105	103¼

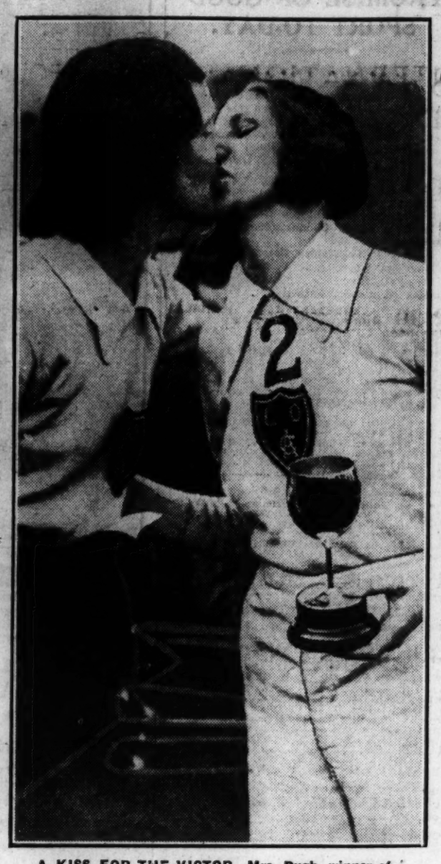
SUPPLEMENTARY INDUSTRIAL PRICES.

FROM OUR CORRESPONDENT.

Parity.	Stocks.	Mon.	Sat.
105	Air Reduction	102	99¼
158	Allied Chemical	153½	152½
18⅛	American Super Power	9⅛	17⅜
200⅞	American Tel. and Tel.	193	194⅛
123	American Tobacco "B"	119½	120
75⅜	American Waterworks	73¼	70⅞
—	Case Threshing	—	112
24⅝	Chrysler Corp.	24¼	24
15⅝	Columbia Graphophones	15½	15⅝
20⅛	Commercial Solvents	19½	19¼
78⅜	Drug Incorp.	76⅛	73⅜
102⅝	Du Pont	100	98⅞
175¾	Eastman Kodak	170¾	166½
59⅛	Electric Bond and Share	58¼	56⅝
60⅛	Electric Power and Light	58½	56⅞
33⅛	Fox Film	33	32¼
34¼	Gillette Safety Razor	33¼	32¼
49⅛	Goodyear Tyre	47¾	47⅞
38⅛	International Tel. and Tel.	37⅛	35⅞
77⅜	Johns-Manville	75	72¼

KILDARE HUNT RACES : RUGBY CUP RE-PLAY

THE TUG-O'-WAR—A striking picture, taken in Battersea Park, showing a trial tug-o'-war team in action during trials by the S. Mark and John College, Chelsea, in preparation for the inter-college championships at Stamford Bridge in May.

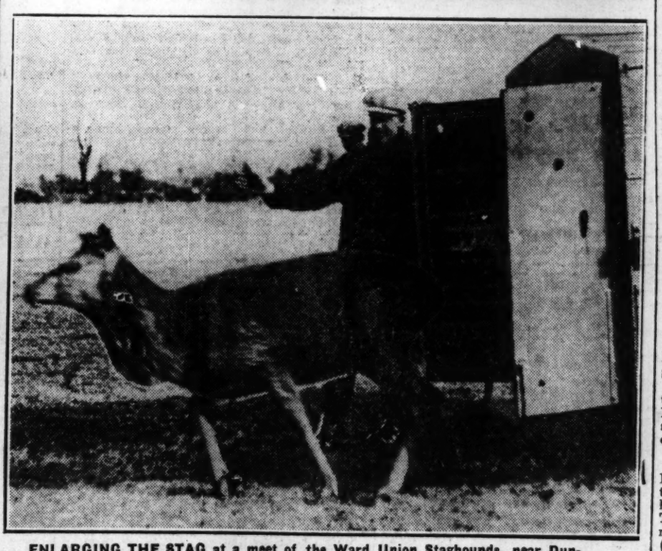


A KISS FOR THE VICTOR—Mrs. Pugh, winner of the annual championship walk of the London Olympiades Ladies' Club, receiving a kiss from Miss V. Horwood, who was second to her, but won the Spencer Cup for best style, which she is seen holding.

HUNT RACES—Miss P. Kennedy, Mrs. Barton and Miss M. Kennedy, a competitor, photographed at the Kildare Hunt Races at Halverstown yesterday. There was a large attendance.

TAKING THE JUMPS—Fine action pictures of Mr. J. Headen's Athgarrett Maid (left) and Miss M. O'Meara's Punster (a winner) at the Kildare Hunt Races. The riders are Mr. J. W. Osbourne and Miss Sheila Meyers.

LEINSTER CUP REPLAY—A race for the ball during the Leinster Cup first round replay between Wanderers and University College, Dublin, at Lansdowne road yesterday. Wanderers won.



ENLARGING THE STAG at a meet of the Ward Union Staghounds, near Dunshaughlin, Co. Meath.

PREPARING FOR THE DOG SHOW—An Alsatian poses with its youthful owner during exercises in readiness for to-day's Irish Kennel Club Show.

THE MASTER'S WIFE—Mrs. Mitchell, wife of Major Mitchell, M.F.H., with their daughter Anne, at the Kildare Hunt Races yesterday.

A BETTER VIEWPOINT—Spectators at one of the vantage points overlooking the big jump at the Kildare Hunt Races at Halverstown.

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THE IMPROVEMENT OF IRISH BREEDS.

There was an attendance of about one hundred persons at the sixth annual banquet held under the auspices of the Irish Kennel Club at Jury's Hotel, Dublin, last night.

In proposing the toast of the "Irish Kennel Club," Mrs. Phylis Robson said that she fully appreciated the honour they had conferred on her that night. Every year she came over to Ireland she liked it better. The sportsmanship of the Irish fanciers was known all over the world. The Irish Kennel Club was the hall-mark of fair play and democracy; and their steady policy was well known. She congratulated them on the work they had done for the improvement of Irish breeds. The Kerry Blue and the Irish Setter were now very popular in the United States, and while on a recent visit to that country, no matter where she went, she heard nothing but praise for the Irish Kennel Club, whose famous Green Star system was well known on the other side of the Atlantic.

One of the most interesting features about the Irish Kennel Club was the opportunities it gave to women. This policy was a distinct success, and in comparison the English Kennel Club, was extremely narrow-minded; for women got no prominence what ever.

Mr. Justice Hanna, in replying to the toast, thanked Mrs. Robson for the kind words she had expressed about the Irish Club. He was very glad to say that the fanciers of Northern Ireland were taking a keener interest in the Southern shows, and that this co-operation was all for the good of the breeds of dogs which they fancied.

Mr. Henry Fottrell, in proposing the toast of "Our Judges," said he hoped that the fanciers in the North of Ireland would frequent the South a little bit more, and the Southern fanciers would reciprocate.

Mr. Walter S. Glynn, in replying to the toast, said there was no bunkum about the Irish shows, as there was in other parts. In some places fellow-committee men judged the chairman's dogs. This was absurd.

Lieutenant-Colonel J. Kyffin supported.

"Our Guests" was proposed by the Rev. E. Savell Hicks, M.A. He congratulated the members for the tact they showed in having the dinner the night before the show. They all had a spirit of optimism, but to-morrow night it might be totally different. (Laughter.)

Mr. Fred. Heney, M.R.C.V.S., in replying, said that Mrs. Robson had mentioned the democratic aspect of the Irish Kennel Club, and that women in the English Kennel Club did not get their place. Women in the Irish Kennel Club had always been great workers, and they had been a great credit to the club.

The Hon. David P. H. Cust, only son of Lord and Lady Brownlow, who died after a brief illness at Belton House, Grantham, on Sunday, aged one year, was interred in Belton churchyard yesterday.

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THE MOTHERS' UNION.

CONFERENCE WEEK AT EXETER.

The Mothers' Union has arranged to hold a Conference Week at Exeter in June. It will open with a Service of welcome in the cathedral, when the Bishop of Exeter will preach. A civil reception in the Guildhall by the Mayor and Mayoress of Exeter will follow.

During the remainder of the week there will be numerous meetings of the Central Council, with Services in the various churches, and on Wednesday, June 24, the Archbishop of Armagh will preach in the cathedral at a Service for workers.

On the following day there will be a meeting for the official workers and the Fellowship of Marriage, followed by a mass meeting, with a Service of praise. Some interesting arrangements have been made for tours of places in the district, and one of the social functions will be a pic-nic on Dartmoor.

On March 25 there will be a Special Service in Westminster Abbey for members of the Union, when a sermon will be preached by the Right Rev. Bishop Hill, formerly Bishop of Hulme.

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BALDOYLE TO-DAY.

EAST GALWAY'S CHANCE FOR METROPOLITAN PLATE.

EVERYTHING points to the holiday meeting at Baldoyle being a very successful affair. The recent spell of fine weather has put the course in excellent order, and at the time of writing there is every prospect of a continuance of the dry spell.

The programme is a well varied one, with a selling two-year-old race to start off proceedings, and for this seven runners have been declared. Little is known outside the stables, of course, of the form of the youngsters engaged, but good accounts are abroad as to Southern Glow, which is believed to be smart.

Treminord was a trifle unlucky when beaten by Ripple On at the last Baldoyle meeting, and, as the latter won since at Proudstown Park, the form points to Treminord's big chance in the Raheny Hurdle Race. Diloya may be the chief danger to Colonel Clarke's horse.

The Maiden Hurdle Race has attracted a field of thirteen runners,some of whom have shown a partiality for this branch of the sport in previous efforts. Knight's Battle is one, and as he has been improving each time he may go one better than in his previous effort and win over a course on which he had many successes on the flat in his younger days. The Naas winner, Kyleclare, will also be in the field, but as he meets Knight's Battle on 15lb. worse terms to-day compared to the Naas race the advantage seems sufficient to enable Mr. A. D. Comyn's horse to turn the tables. Gomar will likely be the chief danger.

Either Culnagor or Sky Fruit should win the Sutton Steeplechase.

The appearance of Georginatown in the field for the Metropolitan Steeplechase endows this event with a particular interest. This smart mare has won something like thirteen or fourteen races, mostly steeplechases, since the commencement of last season, and is considered by many good judges to have a considerable chance in the Grand National. She will be opposed by, amongst others, East Galway, and on the form of the two horses in this country should be beaten by Mr. Shepherd's good horse, but to what extent her improvement has gone it is hard to estimate. Certainly the race should afford Georginatown a nice test for the Aintree race, as there are others, such as Sky Fruit, Koscie's Star, South Louth and Ballymagarry, also possessing good chances. If East Galway is at the top of his form he should win, as the range of weights is in his favour.

The Kilester flat race may be left to Cap-a-Pie II.

The tote double to-day will be on the third and fifth races, and there will also be a double on the two big steeplechases at the meeting—the Metropolitan Plate to-day and the St. Patrick's Steeplechase to-morrow.

Selections:—

Juvenile Selling Plate—**Southern Glow.**
Raheny Hurdle Race—**Treminord.**
Maiden Hurdle Race—**Knight's Battle.**
Sutton Steeplechase—**Culnagor** or **Sky Fruit**
Metropolitan Steeplechase—**East Galway.**
Killester Plate—**Cap-a-Pie II.**

TOTE DOUBLE.

Knight's Battle and East Galway.

Tote Double on third and fifth races.

2.15—JUVENILE SELLING PLATE of 75 sovs. Second 10 sovs., third 5 sovs. For two years old. The winner to be sold for 50 sovs. 5 f. st. lb.

ARCH (Mr. J. J. Parkinson).....Owner 8 12
SOLISTINA (Mrs. F. Clarke).....Clarke 8 9
SOUTHERN GLOW (Mr H. M. Harrigan) Owner 8 9
ZANNOTE (Mrs. J. Nolan) .....Hunter 8 9
IRISH WOLF (Mr. C. Roche) .....Behan 8 9
MIGHTY BLUE (Mr. B. M. Slocock) Slocock 8 9
VENTOLINA (Mrs. H. G. Wellesley) Wellesley 8 9

2.45—RAHENY HURDLE RACE of 75 sovs. Second 10 sovs., third 5 sovs. 1¾ m. Age st. lb.

DILOYA (Mrs. N. Sikes) .....Sikes 5 12 7
MERNAULT (Mr. T. Keays) .....Owner a 11 9
TREMINORD (Col. Clarke) .....Clarke 6 11 5
WHITE MIXTURE (Mr. J. O'Callaghan) .....Doyle 6 11 2
BOINNE NA-BRUGH (Mr. E. Delaney) Owner a 10 11
KING'S MESSENGER (Mr. J. J. Murphy) .....Leonard 6 10 11
FANNY'S FIND (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) Owner 5 9 12

00 DILOYA. See Treminord.

20 MERNAULT. Unplaced with 11-7 to Little Blackbird (11-9), Baldoyle January (1 m. 7 f. hurdles), carried 12-7 and beaten 10 l. by Devil's Bit (11-11), Limerick December (2 m. flat).

02 TREMINORD. Carried 10-9 when beaten neck by Ripple On (10-0), with Sun Flame (11-8) 5 l. behind, Baldoyle February (1¼ m. hurdles). Boinne na Brugh (10-3) was fifth, King's Messenger (9-11) sixth and Diloya (12-0) seventh.

13 WHITE MIXTURE. Carried 11-8 when beaten 4 l. by Caledulo (10-8) and Atlantic Flier (11-0), Mallow June (1¼ m. hurdles). With 10-3 won 5 l., 2 l. from Jurat (10-13) and Old French (10-0), Curragh April (1¼ m. hurdles).

00 BOINNE NA BRUGH. See Treminord.

00 KING'S MESSENGER. See Treminord and Fanny's Find. Unplaced with 11-2 to Lista (10-7), Proudstown March (1¼ m. hurdles).

30 FANNY'S FIND. With 12-0 was fourth of 15 to Battle On (12-2), Baldoyle January (2 m. 1 f. 14 yds. flat). Carried 10-6 when beaten 10 l., same by Kilcash Bell (11-7), Nice Token (11-13), Leopardstown December (1¼ m. hurdles). King's Messenger (11-5) was unplaced.

3.15—MAIDEN HURDLE of 200 sovs. Second 30 sovs., third 20 sovs. For maidens at entry. 1¾ m. Age st. lb.

KYLECLARE (Mr. M. M'Donogh) Parkinson 5 11 8
HELENA'S GEM (Mr. J. A. Mangan) Owner 6 11 7
KING'S MESSENGER (Mr. J. J. Murphy) .....Leonard 6 11 7
CYGALICE (Mr. D. Murray) .....Owner 6 11 7
BOUNDARY (Miss D. Musgrave) Kirwan 6 11 7
GLASS BOSS (Col. Clarke) .....Clarke 5 11 3
KNIGHT'S BATTLE (Mr. A. D. Comyn) Tasher 5 11 3
GOMAR (Sir T. Dixon) .....Behan 4 10 12
SNOOD (Mr. I. J. Blake) .....Patterson 4 10 7
PUCA ORDA (Mr. D. O'Donnell) Carey 4 10 7
RIVERHOLME (Mr. R. More O'Ferrall) Owner 4 10 7
AMOR VINCIT (Mr. H. S. Gray) Behan 4 10 7
CAPTURED LATE (Mr. O. T. V. Slocock) .....Owner 4 10 7

01 KYLECLARE. Carried 10-7 when winning 4-1, 3 l. from Knight's Battle (5) and Not Many (10-2), Naas March (1¼ m. hurdles). Boundary (11-7) was fourth, Captured Late (10-7) sixth, Snood (10-7) seventh, and Amor Vincit (10-7) further behind. See King's Messenger.

HELENA'S GEM. See King's Messenger.

00 KING'S MESSENGER. Unplaced with 11-2 to Lisle (10-7), Proudstown Park March (1¼ m. hurdles). With 9-13 was sixth of 14 to Ripple On (10-0), Baldoyle February (1¼ m. hurdles). Kyleclare (11-7) and Helena's Gem (10-1) were behind.

20 CYGALICE. With 9-7 was sixth of 8 to Bright Bird (12-7), Leopardstown February (2 m. 75 yds. hurdles). With 9-7 beaten 4 l. by Sun Flame (11-2), Leopardstown December (1¼ m. hurdles).

20 BOUNDARY. See Kyleclare. Carried 11-7 when beaten 3 l. by Lady Frivol (10-2), with Lista (10-7) 2 l. behind, Leopardstown February (1¼ m. hurdles). Glass Ross (11-3) was seventh and Knight's Battle (11-3) ninth of 15.

00 GLASS BOSS. See Boundary and Knight's Battle.

22 KNIGHT'S BATTLE. See Kyleclare and Boundary. Carried 11-8 when beaten 5 l. by Limousine (10-12), with Snood (10-12) 6 l. behind, Baldoyle February (1½ m. hurdles). Captured Late (10-7) and Glass Boss (11-8) were unplaced.

1 GOMAR. Carried 11-5 when winning 6 l., 2½ l. from Limousine (11-5) and Lady Frivol (10-4), Leopardstown December (1¼ m. hurdles). Snood (11-5) fell.

30 SNOOD. See Gomar, Knight's Battle and Kyleclare.

0 AMOR VINCIT. See Kyleclare.

00 CAPTURED LATE. See Kyleclare and Knight's Battle.

3.45—SUTTON HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 75 sovs. Second 10 sovs., third 5 sovs. 2 m. 1 f. 70 yds. Age st. lb.

CULNAGOR (Mr. J. Laverty) ...Arnott a 12 7
SKY FRUIT (Miss P. Rohan) ...Private a 11 11
DEVIL'S BIT (Mr. T. W. Barry) Ryan 5 10 9
PERIQUE (Mr. J. A. Mangan) ...Owner 6 10 4
DRUMWOOD (Mr. J. Kelly) ...Kirwan a 10 1
FAIR BESS (Miss P. M'Cormick) M'Cormick a 10 1
RATHCANNON (Miss D. Parkinson) Parkinson 6 10 1
IMPUDENT BARNEY (Mrs. B. M. Webster) .....C. Rogers a 10 0
CULTRUMER (Mr. P. J. Leonard) Owner 6 9 12

22 CULNAGOR. See Devil's Bit. Carried 12-5 when beaten 15 l. by Cold Punch (11-7), with Fair Bess (10-0) 8 l. behind Leopardstown December (2 m. 175 yds. steeplechase). With 11-11 won 11 l., 15 l. from Rathvale (10-6) and Belle Aurore (11-0), Baldoyle September (3 m. steeplechase).

30 SKY FRUIT. See Devil's Bit. With 11-0 beaten 8 l. 50 l. by Belle Aurore (11-0) and Sea Fisher (11-0), Baldoyle (2 m. 1 f. 70 yds. steeplechase).

30 DEVIL'S BIT. Unplaced with 10-9 to Columbus (10-7), Naas March (3 m. 76 yds. steeplechase). With 9-12 beaten 2½ l. 5 l. by Boisne (9-12) and Betty R. (10-0), Baldoyle February (2 m. 1 f. 70 yds. steeplechase). Sky Fruit (12-0) was fifth and Drumwood (9-12) sixth. Cultrumer (9-5) fell. Carried 9-7 when winning neck, 6 l. from Culnagor (12-5) and Boinne (10-0), Baldoyle January (2 m. 1 f. 70 yds. steeplechase). Cultrumer (9-5) fell.

23 PERIQUE. With 9-13 beaten 4 l. by Orbell (12-7), Dundalk July (1½ m. hurdles). With 11-0 beaten 2 l. by Matador (11-5), Bellewstown July (1 m. 5 f. hurdles). With 10-9 won 2 m. steeplechase at Thurles June, finishing alone. With 10-13 beaten 4 l., 6 l. by Polonius (10-13) and Southern Hero (10-5), Punchestown (2 m.).

20 DRUMWOOD. See Devil's Bit.

02 FAIR BESS. See Culnagor. With 11-0 beaten 3 l. by Schomvenir (11-10), Downpatrick March (2½ m. steeplechase). Unplaced with 9-12 to Boinne (10-4) Downpatrick (2 m. 5 f. steeplechase).

23 RATHCANNON. Carried 9-2 when beaten 3 l., 1½ l. by Brighter Bird (11-12) and Boinne na Brugh (10-5), Naas November (1¼ m. hurdles). With 10-3 beaten 1½ l. by A.P. (11-8) Mallow October (1¼ m hurdles).

0 IMPUDENT BARNEY. Unplaced with 11-11 to Tais Toi (12-0), Leopardstown February (2 m. 75 yds. flat).

00 CULTRUMER. See Devil's Bit.

4.20—METROPOLITAN HANDICAP 'CHASE of 200 sovs. Second 30 sovs., third 20 sovs. 3 m. Age st. lb.

EAST GALWAY (Mr. J. S. Shepherd) Arnott a 12 7
GEORGINATOWN (Mr. J. H. Wallace) Owner a 12 2
CULNAGOR (Mr. J. Laverty) ...Arnott a 11 6
COLD PUNCH (Mr. B. L. Coleman) Owner a 11 3
SKY FRUIT (Miss P. Rohan) Private, a 10 11
SOUTH LOUTH (Major H. D. Beamish) Owner a 10 10
KOSCIE'S STAR (Mr. H. C. M'Nally) Walker 6 10 3
GREEK PRINCESS (Lady H. McCalmont) .....Barry a 10 1
BALLYMAGARRY (81b. ex.) (Mr. Woods) Woods a 10 1
RATHVALE (Mrs. R. Walker) Walker 6 9 11
ROYAL DENNIS (Mr. J. Kiernan) Kiernan a 9 11
WATCH YOUR CORK (Mr. M. Bal lesty) .....Ballesty a 9 7

30 EAST GALWAY. Carried 12-0 (fell) in race won by Kakushin (12-0), Liverpool November (2 m. 550 yds. steeplechase). Carried 12-7 when beaten 8 l. 10 l. by Prudent Town (9-9) and Bayview (11-5) Limerick September (2½ m. steeplechase). Cold Punch (10-1) was unplaced. With 12-7 won 3 l., 10 l. from Bayview (11-10) and Fanmond (10-11), Galway (2½ m. 330 yds steeplechase). South Louth (10-13) was eighth of 12.

11 GEORGINATOWN. With 12-7 won 30 l. from Cairbre (10-2) Tenby January (3 m. steeplechase). With 11-4 won 6 l. from Doubtful Lady (11-2), Tenby January (2 m. flat). Carried 11-7 when beaten 6 l. by Theras (11-4) Leicester December (2 m. steeplechase). With 11-13 won by 15 l. 10 l. from Easy Virtue (12-7) and K.C.B. (12-3), Liverpool November (2½ m. steeplechase).

22 CULNAGOR. With 12-5 beaten neck by Devil's Bit (9-7), Baldoyle January (2 m. 1 f. 70 yds. steeplechase). South Louth (11-12) won fifth of 12. With 12-5 beaten 15 l. by Cold Punch (11-7), Leopardstown December (2 m. 75 yds. steeplechase). Carried 11-11 when winning 1 l., 15 l. from Rathvale (10-6) and Belle Aurore (11-0), Baldoyle September (3 m. steeplechase). See Royal Dennis.

11 COLD PUNCH. See Culnagor. With 10-6 won 25 l., same from Atlala (10-5) and Ballyhook (10-2) Naas Oct. (3m. 76 yds. 'chase).

30 SKY FRUIT. See Sutton 'Chase.

03 SOUTH LOUTH. See East Galway and Culnagor. With 11-12 beaten 11 l., 2 l. by Boinne (10-12) and Ballyhook (9-10) Downpatrick March (2m.).

12 KOSCIE'S STAR. Carried 11-10 when beaten 20 l. by Heartbreak Hill (10-4), with Groundsheet (12-2) 10 l. behind, Proudstown Park March (3m. 'chase). With 10-9 won 12 l., 25 l. from Groundsheet (11-12) and Tangmalangaloo (10-7) Leopardstown Feb. (3m. 100 yds. 'chase).

00 GREEK PRINCESS. Unplaced with 11-5 to Montigny (11-0) Naas March (2m. 40 yds. 'chase). Unplaced with 12-0 to Old Bachelor (11-7), Baldoyle Jan. (2m. 1f. 70 yds. 'chase).

11 BALLYMAGARRY. With 12-5 won 6 l., 25 l. from Sergeant Grischa (12-3) and Amonasro (11-10) Downpatrick (2m.). With 11-4 won 4 l. from Northerth (11-4) Downpatrick (2½m.). Carried 11-9 (fell) in race won by Silver Greyhound (11-7) Baldoyle Feb. (2m. 1f. 70 yds. 'chase).

20 RATHVALE. See Culnagor. Carried 12-0 when fourth of 15 to Silver Greyhound (11-7) Baldoyle Feb. (2m. 1f. 70 yds. 'chase). With 10-9 beaten 25 l. by Silent Prince (11-0) Leopardstown Dec. (3m. 100 yds. 'chase). Watch Your Cork (11-0) was unplaced.

03 ROYAL DENNIS. With 11-13 beaten 30 l., 40 l. by Odd Cat (11-1) and The Last It (10-2) Tuam Aug. (3m. 'chase). With 11-4 unplaced to Boinne (10-1), Culnagor (11-2) and Sunnyside Paul (10-1) Galway (2¼m. 'chase).

00 WATCH YOUR CORK. See Rathvale. Unplaced with 9-7 to Groundsheet (11-5) Baldoyle Feb. (3m. 'chase).

4.50—KILLESTER HANDICAP of 75 sovs. Second 10 sovs third 5 sovs. A flat race. 1¼ m. Age st. lb.

CAP-A-PIE II. (Mr. J. T. Rogers) Owner a 9 8
GALLANT PRINCE (Miss K. Ussher) Ussher 4 9 6
GREENLY ISLAND (Mr. E. Wallace) Behan 5 8 13
BLACK MONDAY (Mr. J. J. Parkinson) Owner 6 8 7
LISTA (Mrs. B. M. Slocock) .....Slocock 4 7 13
PRETTY LAND (Mr. J. Doyle) ...Owner 3 7 12
APRON STRINGS (Mr. J. W. A. Harris) Harris 3 7 12
GIPSY JANE (Mrs. H. D. Beamish) Beamish 4 7 11
BACHELOR'S BRIDGE (Mr. C. M'Govern) .....Private 4 7 8
ST. TETRA (Mr. H. M. Harrigan) Owner 3 7 7
ULLAMOND (Mr. F. Clarke) .....Owner 3 7 7

32 CAP-A-PIE II. Carried 9-5 when beaten 1½l. by Philip's Fancy (11-9), with Puca Shikari (12-5) 4l. behind, Leopardstown Dec. (2m. 75 yds. flat). Carried 8-11 when beaten 13½l., 4l. by Happy Memories (7-11) and Philip's Fancy (8-2) Naas Nov. (1½m. flat).

00 GALLANT PRINCE. Unplaced with 8-13 to Bray Beau (9-3) Leopardstown Nov. (1m.). Unplaced with 10-6 to Battle Bridge (8-11) Curragh Oct. (7f.).

10 GREENLY ISLAND. Unplaced with 9-3 to Essecly (8-3) Curragh May (1m.). With 9-7 won 8l., 10l. from Carrick Lass (9-10) and Montigny (9-6) Curragh April (1m.).

01 BLACK MONDAY. With 9-6 won short head, 6l. from Knockenarrigan (10-6) and Lista (9-11) was March (1½m. hurdles).

32 LISTA. See Black Monday. With 10-7 won 1½l., 11sl. from Cicerone (9-11) and May Turn (10-7) Proudstown March (1½m. hurdles).

21 PRETTY LAND. With 7-10 won 3½l., 3l. from Togger (7-10) and Brown Ball (7-10) Curragh Oct. (7f.).

00 APRON STRINGS. With 8-7 was fourth of 15 to Polyphant (8-10) Derby Nov. (7f.).

00 GIPSY JANE. Unplaced with 8-9 to Happy Memories (8-7) Maze July (1½m.).

00 RACETIDER'S BRIDGE. Unplaced with 8-4 to Elusive Shelter (8-13) Leopardstown May (5f.).

00 ST. TETRA. Unplaced with 8-7 to Marty (8-7) Baldoyle Oct. (5f.).

07 ULLAMOND. Unplaced with 8-10 to Alfa Romeo (8-10) Mallow June (5f.).

Trains from Amiens street will run to-day at 12.30, 1.0, 1.15, 1.30, 1.45, 2.15.

OFFICIAL SCRATCHINGS.

Harville Hurdle, Wye—Footmark.
Oaro Handicap 'Chase, Grand Military Meeting, Sandown—Hardigan.
Liverpool Hurdle—Bois de Rose II.
All engagements in Mr. Glorney's name—Nappy
All engagements—Heliopolis (dead).

LEOPARDSTOWN CLUB FIRST APRIL MEETING, 1931

SATURDAY, APRIL 11th.

The following Races Close on WEDNESDAY, MARCH 18th, with Mr. F. Harold Clarke, 9 Hume street, Dublin, C.2. Telegraphic address—"Turf-club, Dublin."

THE TOWER PLATE of 75 sovs. One mile and a half.

THE STAND MAIDEN PLATE of 75 sovs. One mile and a half.

THE SILVERPARK PLATE of 75 sovs. One mile.

THE DUNDRUM STEEPLECHASE of 75 sovs Two miles and about 175 yards.

THE STILLORGAN STEEPLECHASE of 75 sovs. Three mile and about 100 yards.

THE FOXROCK PLATE of 200 sovs. —(Closed.)

—(Advt.)

NAAS RACES,

SATURDAY, 18th APRIL, 1931.

The following Races Close TO-MORROW (WEDNESDAY), with Mr. F. Harold Clarke, 9 Hume street, Dublin:—

THE KINGSFURZE PLATE of 100 sovs. For maiden 2 years old. Entrance 2 sovs. 5 furlongs.

THE FISHERY PLATE of 50 sovs. A weight-for-age flat race. For 3 years old and upwards, maidens at starting. Entrance 1 sov. 6 furlongs (straight).

THE SPRINGFIELD PLATE of 100 sovs. A handicap flat race. For 3 years old and upwards. Entrance 2 sovs. 1 mile and about 180 yards.

THE MAUDLINS PLATE of 50 sovs. A weight-for age flat race. For 4 years old and upwards, maidens at starting. Entrance 1 sov. 1 mile and a half.

THE TIPPERARY PLATE of 50 sovs. A handicap hurdle race. Entrance 1 sov. 1 mile and a half.

THE STAND PLATE of 70 sovs. A handicap steeplechase. Entrance 30 shillings. 2 miles and about 76 yards. —(Advt.)

Racehorse Injured.

Grove Bridge over-reached himself in the Hunter's Steeplechase at Wye yesterday, and cut an artery.

LIMERICK.

PROMISE OF GOOD SPORT TO-DAY.

SOUTHERN racegoers will have an excellent programme provided for them at the Greenpark course, where there will be no shortage of runners. The tote will also be in operation there, and the races selected for the double are the second and fifth. Visitors from Dublin can reach the course in ample time for racing by travelling by the 9.15 train from Kingsbridge this morning. Selections:—

Ardnacrusha Hurdle—**Betty R.**
Greenpark Plate—**Buramill.**
Limerick Plate—**Clonmagadden (if absent, Bosstoon).**
Holiday Plate—**Golden Patriot.**
Directors' Steeplechase—**Society.**
St. Patrick's Day Steeplechase—**Clonmagadden (if absent, Fatherland).**

2.30—ARDNACRUSHA HANDICAP HURDLE of 50 sovs. 2 m. Two miles. Age st. lb.

CREDO (Mr. A. J. M'Namara)...Harty a 12 6
OLYMPIAN (Mr. J. Toppin)...McCarthy 5 11 11
BUCKNA (Mr. P. Sheehan).....Owner 6 11 7
SHEEVRA BEG (Mr T. O'Neill) Private a 11 3
BETTY R. (Mr. D. P. O'Brien)...Clarke a 11 4
COOLAGOWAN (Mr. J. Egan)....Nunan 5 10 10
CARRIG LONG (Mr. T. Fitzgibbon) Prendergast a 10 0

00 CREDO. See Betty R. and Buckna.

32 OLYMPIAN. See Betty R.

20 BUCKNA. Unplaced with 12-0 to Reilly (10-10), Leopardstown December (1½m. hurdles). With 10-13 beaten 3l. by White Mixture (11-5), Mallow March, 1930 (1½m. hurdles). Credo (11-9) was unplaced.

05 SHEEVRA BEG. See Betty R.

22 BETTY R. With 10-0 beaten 4l. by Boinne (10-6), Downpatrick March (2m. 5f. 'chase). With 10-0 beaten 2½l. by Boinne (9-12), Baldoyle February (2m. 1f. 70 yds. 'chase). With 10-0 beaten 2½l. by Brighter Bird (12-7), Leopardstown February (2m. 75 yds. hurdles). Carried 10-6 when winning 3½, 5l. from Olympian (11-4) and Sheevra Beg (11-7), with Credo (12-2) and Coolagowan (10-10) unplaced, Limerick December (2m. hurdles).

30 COOLAGOWAN. See Betty R.

3 CARRIG LONG. With 11-12 beaten 10l., 16l. by Devil's Bit (11-11) and Mernault (12-7), Limerick December (2m. flat).

3.0—GREENPARK PLATE of 50 sovs. Second 3 sovs. A hurdle race for maidens. 1¾ m. Age st. lb.

WAIT AND SEE (Mr. E. S. O'Grady) Owner 6 11 10
BURNMILL (Mr. F. W. Wise)...Owen a 11 10
GAY SOUL (Mr. D. P. O'Brien)...Owner 4 11 7
BRIAN (Mr. M. Cunninghame) ...Owner a 10 12
ROYAL HOPE (Mr. T. Foley) ... Owner 5 10 12
SAFETY ACT (Mr. H. M. Ryan)...Ryan a 10 12
LEROY (Mrs. W. Smyth).....Private 5 10 12
THE DIVER (Mr. D. Meagher) Owner 4 10 12
MONTANA MAIL (Mrs. T. Nunan) Nunan 6 10 12
BOSSTOON (Mr. J. Archdeacon) Owner 5 10 12
DILLON'S CROSS (Mr. J. O'Callaghan) Doyle 5 10 12
OLD FELLA (Mr. C. Croker).....Harty 4 10 12
0 BURNMILL. Unplaced with 11-7 to Lady Frivol (10-2), Leopardstown February (1½m. hurdles).

30 GAY SOUL. Unplaced with 10-2 to Ripple On (10-2), Limerick December (1½m. hurdles). With 10-2 beaten 1½l., 6l., by Hysterics (11-9) and Battle Bridge (11-5), Tralee October (1½m hurdles).

03 ROYAL HOPE. With 10-0 beaten 1l., 1½l. by Dreamy Knight (12-0) and Jack Brown (10-7), Limerick September (1½m. hurdles).

00 BOSSTROON. Unplaced with 10-2 to Mirkhan (11-9), Limerick May (2m. 'chase). Unplaced with 9-12 to Klein's Gift (10-5), Tramore April (1¼m. hurdles). With 9-11 beaten 2l., 4l., by Carrick Lass (11-1) and Wail and See (10-8), Limerick March 1930 (1½m. hurdles).

3.30—LIMERICK PLATE of 50 sovs. Second 5 sovs. A weight for age steeplechase. 2 m. 200 yds. Age st. lb.

SOUTHERN PRINCE (Mr. M. Cunningham) .....Owner a 11 3
CARRIG LONG (Mr. T. Fitzgibbon) Prendergast a 11 3
BACHELOR CONWAY (Mr. M. J. O'Leary) .....Nunan a 11 3
CLONMAGADDEN (Mr. J. H. Wallace) Owner 4 11 3
BOSSTOON (Mr J. Archdeacon) Owner 6 10 7
CHERRY TREE (Mr. J. P. Hogan) Owner 6 10 7
BLUE SMOKE II. (Mr. D. Noonan) Owner 6 10 7
GUARDRAIL (Capt. R. Holroyd Smyth) Owner 5 10 7

3 CARRIG LONG. See Ardnacrusha Plate.

30 BACHELOR CONWAY. Carried 10-0 (fell) in race won by Odd Cat (11-1), Tuam August (3m. 'chase). Carried 9-7 when beaten 3l. 4l., by Flying Dale (9-6) and Nutty (9-7), Limerick July (2m. 200 yds. 'chase). See Clonmagadden.

32 CLONMAGADDEN. Carried 11-9 when beaten 6l. by Carmenita (11-12), Longford July (2m. 'chase). Carried 11-1 when beaten 11½l. by Ross Mill (11-7) and Dunboy (11-10), Thurles June (3m. 'chase). Bachelor Conway (11-0) was unplaced.

00 BOSSTRON. See Greenpark Hurdle.

00 CHERRY TREE. Unplaced with 11-6 to Tais Toi (12-0), Leopardstown February (2m. 75 yds. flat). Unplaced with 11-0 to Lavenduia (9-9), Powerstown Park May (2m. 'chase).

0 BLUE SMOKE II. Unraced with 10-9 to Ross Mill (10-9), Mallow June (2m. 'chase).

03 GUARDRAIL. Carried 9-13 when beaten neck, 10l., by Prince Marlo (11-2) and Alder Lass (9-13), Mallow October (2m. 'chase).

4.0—HOLIDAY PLATE of 50 sovs. Second 3 sovs. A welter flat race. Weights for age. 2 m. Age st. lb.

TAISTOU (Baron F. de Tuyll) Hartigan 5 12 12
KNIGHT'S PET (Mr. W. M. Curran) Owner a 12 12
GOLDEN GEORGE (Mr. F. W. Wise) Owens 5 12 5
GOLDEN PATRIOT (Mr. J. H. Wallace) Owner 4 12 2
SECOND HOUSE (Mr. W. E. Coghlan) Lombard 5 11 7
AHARBURN (Mr. D. P. O'Brien) Owner 5 11 7
STOKESFIELD (Mr. M. J. O'Leary) Nunan 5 11 7
SHADY TOL (Mr. E. O'Sullivan) Owner 5 11 7
CHERRY TREE (Mr. J. P. Hogan) Owner 6 11 7
MYSTIC GLEAM (Mr. A. J. M'Namara) Owner 6 11 7
MOYLE LASSIE (Mr. Jas. O'Keeffe) Owner 4 11 4

01 TAIS TOI. Carried 12-0 when winning 8l., 1l. from Golden George (12-0) and Shannon Lass (11-6), Leopardstown, Feb. (2m. 75 yds. flat). Cherry Tree (11-6) was fifth of 15.

11 KNIGHT'S PET. Carried 11-1 when winning 1l., 10l. from Dublin Bay (10-6) and Schomvenir (11-12), Limerick, Dec. (2½m. 'chase). Carried 10-7 when winning head, 4l. from Southern Hero (10-10) and Pensionary (11-0), Gowran, Oct. (1m. 7f. flat).

10 GOLDEN PATRIOT. Carried 10-11 (ran out) in race won by Tan Jug, Proudstown, March (2m. flat). Carried 10-12 when winning 3l., 4l. from Essexhall (12-0) and Sunamaid (11-9), Baldoyle, Feb. (2m. 1f. 14 yds. flat).

00 AHARBURN. Unplaced with 11-4 to Devil's Bit (11-11), Limerick, Dec. (2m. flat).

00 CHERRY TREE. See Tais Toi.

4.30—DIRECTORS' HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 50 sovs. Second 3 sovs. 2 m. 200 yds. Age st. lb.

THE VAGABOND KING (Mr. John O'Sullivan) .....Lombard 5 12 0
OLYMPIAN (Mr. J. Toppin)...McCarthy 5 12 0
FLUSH OF DAWN (Mr P Coll) Lombard 5 11 7
DUBLIN BAY (Mrs. H. Smyth)...Smyth a 11 0
BRIGHT'S HILL (Mr. M. M'Donogh) Harty a 11 0
NORTHERN DENNES (Mr. J. F. Downey) Owner a 10 10
SOCIETY (Mr. C. Ryan) .....Owner 5 10 7
VENOSA'S FIRST (Mr. M. C. Ryan) Owner a 10 0

31 THE VAGABOND KING. Carried 10-10 when winning 4l., 3l. from Bill Fitz (10-0) and Rose Mallow, Aug. (2m. 'chase). Carried 10-11 when beaten 5l., 15l. by Georgiantown (12-11) and Bill Fitz (9-12), Miltown Malbay, Aug. (2m. 'chase).

33 OLYMPIAN. Carried 11-4 when beaten 3l. by Betty R. (10-6), Limerick, Dec. (2m. hurdles). Carried 11-3 when beaten 5l., 6l. by River Thames (10-8) and Credo (12-5), Tralee, Oct. (1½m. hurdles). See Society.

21 FLUSH OF DAWN. Carried 9-12 when winning 20l., 4l. from Redcar (10-5) and Queen of the Feast (9-10), Limerick, Dec. (3m. 'chase). With 9-9 beaten 5l. by Absent Denis (11-6), Mallow, Oct. (3m. 'chase).

32 DUBLIN BAY. With 10-6 beaten 1l. by Knight's Pet (11-1), Limerick, Dec. (2½m. 'chase). Carried 9-11 when beaten 25l., 5l. by Fan Boss (10-2) and Betty R. (11-10), Tralee, Oct. (2m. 'chase).

01 BRIGHT'S HILL. With 11-4 won 3l., 20l. from Catalon (11-7) and St. Gowran (11-9), Lisdowel, Sept. (2m. 'chase).

01 NORTHERN DENNES. With 10-0 won 3l., 6l. from Drumwood (10-9) and King Louis (12-0), Gowran Park, Oct. (1½m. chase).

21 SOCIETY. With 10-7 won 2l., 1l. from Glorious Diligence (10-2) and Hope and Glory (10-2), Listowel, Oct. (1½m. hurdles). With 10-7 beaten 8l. by Olympian (11-2), Limerick, Sept. (3m. hurdles).

5.0—ST. PATRICK'S DAY HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 50 sovs. Second 3 sovs. 3 m. Age st. lb.

WILD EDGAR (Mr. M. M'Grath) Owner a 12 0
FATHERLAND (Mr. C. Ryan)...Owner a 11 9
CLONMAGADDEN (Mr. J. H. Wallace) Owner 6 11 6
FLUSH OF DAWN (Mr. P. Coll) Lombard a 11 2
GENTLE LADY (Mrs. J. Lombard) Lombard a 11 2
BIDDY (Mr. C. Blackmore).....Kirwan a 10 0

Tote Double on second and fifth races.

10 FATHERLAND. Carried 11-5 (fell) in race won by Alder Lake (11-4), Tralee, Oct. (3m. 'chase). With 11-4 won 1l., 6l. from Absent Denis (11-6) and Ross Mill (11-0), Tralee, Oct. (2½m. 'chase).

32 CLONMAGADDEN. See Limerick Plate.

21 FLUSH OF DAWN. See Directors' Plate.

0 GENTLE LADY. Unplaced with 11-0 to Knight's Pet (11-1), Limerick, Dec. (2½m. 'chase).

00 BIDDY. Unplaced with 10-2 to Olympian (11-2), Limerick, Sept. (3m. hurdles).

Oxclose's National Jockey.

F. Gurney states that he has been definitely engaged to ride Oxclose in the Grand National.

DERBY SWEEPSTAKE.

The Governor-General of the Irish Free State (Mr. J. McNeill) purchases the first ticket in the Irish Hospitals' Fund sweepstake on the Derby from Sir William Taylor at the Viceregal Lodge.

GOSSIP FROM THE COURSE.

WINTRY WEATHER.

TIN O' MINT'S IMPROVED FORM.

A FRENCH-BRED WINNER.

FROM OUR TRAVELLING CORRESPONDENT.

WOLVERHAMPTON, Monday Night.

MOST unfortunately wintry weather has come back to us, and it is very cold here to-night. The going was good here this afternoon, yet at Melton, which is not so far away, the hunt meeting had to be postponed on account of the frost in the ground.

There was nothing of particular interest in the racing. The Oxley Handicap Steeplechase fell to a horse owned and trained by Coulthwaite, whom he acquired out of a selling race. This was Ptolemais, a nine-year-old by Polymelus, who started favourite and won by six lengths and five lengths from Mr. Stanley Harrison's pair, Killia and Patron Saint.

Coulthwaite had previously had a second in Windermere Laddie, once a very smart horse, whose legs have given his trainer no end of trouble. He has only run twice in the last fourteen months, but in the Penn Hurdle he put up quite a good show.

BEATEN AT THE FINISH.

He looked like winning at the last, but Tin o' Mint proved too fast for him, and beat him by a length and a half. This son of Spearmint, who belongs to Mr. A. Gemmell, is a much-improved horse, who is now trained in Major Mairs' successful little stable at Letcombe Basset.

A French-bred horse, by Kirkcubbin out of the Ajax mare, Highly, the dam of Highborn, called Highstide IV., won the Dunstall Hurdle by four lengths from Royal Repose, whom Major Mairs trains for Mrs. Bowes Brady.

Big Wonder, with whom Mr. Whitelaw won the National Hunt Steeplechase at Cheltenham two years ago, took the Hunters' Steeplechase, in which he was ridden by Mr. Thackray, by a couple of lengths from Silverside.

Mr. Alfred McAlpine had varying luck in the selling races. Socrates, whom Mr. Harrison trains for him, started favourite for the steeplechase, but did badly, and Lady Ardoon won easily from West Countryman.

In the hurdle race he ran Hit the Deck, whom Mr. Barthropp trains. This Argosy horse started at 25 to 1, and Cullinan, by dint of persuasion and resolution, made him come and beat Haki Bey by a length.

SELECTIONS.

To-morrow, all being well, the Hungarian Gyi Lovam, makes his long-deferred English *début* in the Shrewsbury Handicap 'Chase. Grakle is to run for Coulthwaite, but not his stable companion, Cherry Duck. Kilbuck and Easy Virtue are other National horses who can take the field, and at the weights I am inclined to the chance of EASY VIRTUE. Should he be absent the best might be GRAKLE.

SANDRO should be the best in the Staffordshire Handicap Steeplechase, and JACKY MARTIN may win the Walsall Handicap Hurdle.

GALTEE MORE.

LONDON BETTING.

SMALL BUSINESS AT CALL-OVER.

There was very little wagering at the Victoria Club call-over yesterday. The only Lincolnshire Handicap candidate backed was Sargasso, who was supported to win about £3,000 at 100 to 6, this price being again offered.

Of the fifteen Grand National candidates quoted only four met with any support, these being Easter Hero at 500 to 30, Richmond II. at 500 to 15, Cherry Duck at 1,000 to 20, and Gregalach at 1,000 to 15.

LINCOLNSHIRE HANDICAP.
(Run Wednesday, March 25. 1 m.)

		Age st. lb
10/1	Massai (o.) ..... Sneyd	4 7 4
100/6	Sargasso (l., o.)

HEAVIER MEN TO RESCUE.

WHERE IRELAND HAD THE PULL OVER THE SCOTS.

THE International Tournament at the Gymnasium, Portobello Barracks, last night ended in a win for the Irish representatives, who defeated a strong Scottish team by 5 bouts to 3.

The majority of the bouts were evenly contested, but in the heavier classes the Irishmen were much the stronger, and won all four fights from welter to heavy-weight. A notable feature of the tournament, which attracted a splendid attendance, was the expeditious manner in which the proceedings were carried out.

Ireland started off badly when M. Byrne was outpointed in the fly-weight bout against J. Connolly. Connolly had a slight advantage in weight and reach, and usually out-punched his man in their long range exchanges. When at close quarters Byrne was a shade the better, but it was not often that he was allowed to slip through his opponent's guard. In third round Byrne had a spell of strong attacking, and looked like sweeping Connolly off his feet, but the effort took a lot out of the St. Tarcisius lad, and Connolly used his right with repeated advantage in the last two rounds.

M. Flanagan.

A CLEVER WINNER.

The Hughes-Hamilton bout looked like deteriorating into a mere scramble after the first two rounds, but a caution to Hughes for boring with his head effected a big improvement, and the ensuing exchanges more than made up for the scrappiness of the earlier sessions. Towards the end of the third round Hughes weakened his man, and it was only Hamilton's splendid fighting spirit that enabled him to stage a fine recovery in the final round. In the fight he was sent through the ropes with such force by Hughes that the latter found himself precipitated almost out of the ring after his man. It was a gruelling bout, at the end of which either man had scarcely a punch left. Hamilton in the final round sought to make up the leeway by gaining a knock-out, but Hughes, though he left himself more open at this stage than in any other part of the fight, held on to his lead, and was a clever winner at the finish.

There was any amount of clever boxing in the feather-weight bout between A. Lyon and P. Byrne. Byrne, like his namesake in the fly-weight division, was at a disadvantage in height and reach, and early on Lyon gave a sample of his abilities by clever use of his left. Byrne's defensive tactics were effective, and he frequently caused Lyon to miss with his left leads. In attack the Irishman was seldom the equal of his opponent, and, though he put up a right good fight, Lyon's left repeatedly found its way to his body in the last two rounds, this being the chief factor in the Scot's success.

O'SHEA WINS AGAIN.

The visitors gained their third success of the night when J. Rolland outpointed T. Kelly after a very even bout, in which Kelly, though clever at close quarters, was outpointed in the closing stages by his better-staying opponent.

Private W. O'Shea added to his growing list of victories in the welter division by a splendid win over a particularly tough fighter in J. Russell. O'Shea's win was particularly meritorious, as in the opening seconds of the first round Russell got home to the Irishman's left eye, which swelled to such an extent that it at one time looked as if he would be unable to continue. O'Shea temporarily allowed his man to make the pace, and contented himself by landing with his favourite left whenever an opening presented itself. Russell's footwork was not good, however, and he seldom got his full weight behind his punches in consequence. In the fifth round the Irishman went for his opponent in splendid style, and, though the latter got on a couple of lefts to the head, O'Shea used both right and left effectively, to gain the most stylish win of the night.

The middle-weight bout between Jack Chase and P. McConnell was productive of much close-quarter work, and here Chase soon asserted a distinct superiority. McConnell was not good in his defensive work, and the verdict in Chase's favour was apparent a good way from the end.

A CLOSE AFFAIR.

There was little between J. Forde and A. Bell in the opening rounds of their cruiser bout, the advantage, if any, being with the Scot, who got in some good lefts to the head. These were more than offset by Forde's clever right-hand punches to the body in the later sessions, and in the fourth round the Irishman assumed the offensive in earnest. He showered a series of blows to his opponent's head and body, and continued to carry the fight to his man in the final round to win well.

Ireland's success was assured early in the first round of the heavy-weight contest, as it was soon made apparent that Garda Mat. Flanagan was much too strong for D. Steele. The latter was sent to the boards with a smashing right to the jaw just as the bell went, but he was unable to shake off the effects of the blow, and a similar delivery early in the next round brought the fight to an abrupt end. Details:—

FLY-WEIGHT.

J. Connolly (Scotland) beat M. Byrne (Ireland) on points.

BANTAM-WEIGHT.

P. Hughes (Ireland) beat R. Hamilton (Scotland) on points.

FEATHER-WEIGHT.

A. Lyon (Scotland) beat P. Byrne (Ireland) on points.

LIGHT-WEIGHT.

J. Rolland (Scotland) beat T. Kelly (Ireland) on points.

WELTER-WEIGHT.

Private O'Shea (Ireland) beat J. Russell (Scotland) on points.

MIDDLE-WEIGHT.

J. Chase (Ireland) beat P. McConnell (Scotland) on points.

CRUISER-WEIGHT.

J. Forde (Ireland) beat A. Bell (Scotland) on points.

HEAVY-WEIGHT.

M. Flanagan (Ireland) knocked out D. Steele (Scotland) in the second round.

IRISH BOXERS FOR A.B.A CHAMPIONSHIPS.

The following Irish boxers will compete at the A.B.A. Championships, which will take place at the Royal Albert Hall, London, on March 23:—P. Hughes (Bantam), W. O'Shea (Welter), J. Magill and J. Chase (Middle), J. Forde (Light-Heavy), and M. Flanagan (Heavy).

The Scottish team will be:—J. Connelly (Fly), N. R. Hamilton (Bantam), A. Cameron (Feather), A. Lyon (Light), and J. Darling (Welter).

YESTERDAY'S RACING RETURNS.

WOLVERHAMPTON

1.45—SHIFNAL SELLING STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. 2 m.

Mr. H. J. Brueton's br. m. LADY ARDOON, by Ardoon—Prosperous, a. 11-5 G. Goswell 1
Mr. W. Parrish's WEST COUNTRYMAN, a. 11-5 W. Stott 2

Mrs. Tilleard's FOG HORN, a. 11-5 R. Fawcett 3

Also ran—Reckless Gal (J. Regan, jun.), Folange (Mr. Elliott), Scarlets (J. Walsh), Ground Scout (Mr. Deverill), Orbed (J. Mason). Off 1.47. (Winner trained by Hudson.)

Betting—4 to 1 agst. Socrates, 3 to 1 each LADY ARDOON and West Countryman, 6 to 1 Orbed, 100 to 8 Fog Horn, 20 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 6/6; places, 2/5, 3/3. Win pool total, 4,105 units; place pool total, 3,464 units.

Won by three lengths; ten lengths. Orbed was fourth, and Folange last.

The winner was sold to Mr. W. Parrish for 230 gns.

2.15 — BUSHBURY SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE of 100 sovs. 2 m.

Mr. A. D. McAlpine's b. h. HIT THE DECK, by Argosy—Herodia, 5, 11-2 T. Cullinan 1
Mr. C. S. Green's HAKI BEY, 4, 10-2 J. Stanbridge 2
Mr G. Flintham's WILFRED, 5, 11-4 R. Lyall 3

Also ran—Jazz-Bar (J. Hamey), Chimpanzee (J. Walsh), Doubtful Lady, (E. Foster), Merced (J. Ward), Trapeze (W. Speck), Battle Array (H. Bunn), Water Main (Owner), Souvenance (J. Maloney), Ash Plant (A. Escott), Historical (F. Sergeant), Le Violette (Mr. Owen, jun.), Cameronia (F. Elnor), Jack XIII. (Mr. Bowen), Golden Ermine (W. Stott), Connie Duff (P. J. Kelly), Eagle's Corrie (J. Millar), Knock Away (J. H. Brown), Water Melon (H. Graves), Galanthus (Owner). Off 2.15. (Winner trained by Barthorpe.)

Betting—5 to 2 agst. Ash Plant, 6 to 1 Connie Duff, 8 to 1 each Trapeze and Wilfred, 10 to 1 each Knock Away and Battle Array, 100 to 8 each Chimpanzee, Golden Ermine, Souvenance and Rubi Boy, 25 to 1 HIT THE DECK or any other.

Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 40/-; places, 13/3, 15/6, 6/3. Win pool total, 4,343 units; place pool total, 3,884 units.

Won by a length; a short head. Connie Duff was fourth, and Jack XIII. last.

The winner was bought in for 100 gns.

2.45—PENN HANDICAP HURDLE of 150 sovs. 2 m.

Mr. A. Gemmell's b. g. TIN O' MINT, by Spearmint—Tinahely, 6, 12-0 ..... J. Hamey 1
Mr. Hanna's WINDERMERE LADDIE, a. 11-3 ..... R. Lyall 2
Mr. A. D. McAlpine's PETER L., 6, 11-5 ..... T. Cullinan 3

Also ran—White Flag (W. Speck), Paintbox (W. Stott), Feng (H. Wheeler), Happy Gazelle (F. Elnor), Kerosene (J. Walsh), Scarlet Stripes (A. Escott), The Philosopher (A. Escott), Japanese Lantern (W. Fawcett), Be Good (F. Foster), Bandmaster (J. Sergeant). Off 2.46. (Winner trained by Mains.)

Betting—7 to 2 agst. Paintbox, 5 to 1 TIN O' MINT, 11 to 2 White Flag, 6 to 1 Peter L., 8 to 1 Kerosene, 100 to 8 Feng, 10c to 6 any other.

Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 8/6; places, 3/3, 7/6. Win pool total, 6,168 units; place pool total, 5,099 units.

Won by a length and a half; three lengths. Feng was fourth and Be Good last.

3.15—DUNSTALL HURDLE of 200 sovs. 2 m.

Mr. H. Robertson's br. h. HIGHTIDE IV., by Kircubbin—Highly, 5, 11-1 ..... R. Lyall 1
Mrs. B. Brady's ROYAL REPOSE, 6, 11-5 ..... J. Hamey 2

Also ran—Cooper's PERFECTIVE, 4, 10-12 W. Speck 3

Also ran—Lion Heart (T. Cullinan), Richborough (J. Ward), Golden Coin (J. Whelehan), Tuck Up (J. Scholefield), Cupbearer (D. Williams), Koscie's Hope (J. Stott), Hennegnu (Owner), Welsh Chieftain (R. Fawcett), Maitre (W. Parvin), Rosenia (H. Cheshire), Cottage Gorse (J. Walsh), Belle Bird (T. Costello), Harem Guard (F. Gurney), Connors (T. Connors). Off 3.16. (Winner trained by Collcutt.)

Betting—3 to 1 agst. Perfective, 100 to 30 Welsh Chieftain, 11 to 2 HIGHTIDE IV., 6 to 1 Koscie's Hope, 10 to 1 each Royal Repose, Lion Heart and Cupbearer, 100 to 6 any other.

Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 9/6; places, 4/3, 3/9, 3/9. Win pool total, 5,517 units; place pool total, 5,135 units.

Won by four lengths; same. Harem Guard was fourth and Golden Coin last.

3.45—OXLEY HANDICAP 'CHASE of 250 sovs. 2 m.

Mr. T. Coulthwaite's b. g. PTOLEMAIS, by Polymelus—Pluie, 8, 10-5 ... T. F. Carey 1
Mr. A. D. McAlpine's KILLIA, a. 11-2 T. Cullinan 2
Mr. F. W. Keen's PATRON SAINT, a. 11-3 J. Walsh 3

Also ran—General Advance (W. Stott), Teme Salmon (W. Speck), Wind Swept (R. Lyall), Her Last (F. Foster), Gartly (F. Gurney). Off 3.47. (Winner trained by Coulthwaite.)

Betting—15 to 8 agst. PTOLEMAIS, 5 to 1 General Advance, 6 to 1 each Teme Salmon and Killa, 7 to 1 Wind Swept, 100 to 7 any other.

Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 5/9; places, 3/3, 4/3, 5/6. Win pool total, 4,827 units; place pool total, 5,918 units.

Won by six lengths; five lengths. General Advance was fourth and Teme Salmon last.

4.15—HUNTERS' 'CHASE of 100 sovs. 3 m.

Mr. G. S. Whitelaw's b. g. BIG WONDER, by Sunningdale—Miss Broomfield, a. 12-10 ..... Mr. Thackray 1
Captain C. A. Cartwright's SILVERSIDE, a. 11-7 Mr. R. Harding 2
Mr. C. Winn's READABLE, a. 12-10 ..... Mr. G. Owen 3

Also ran—Muster (Owner), Phantom Charley (Mr. G. Elliott), Lare (Mr. W. West), Toycup (Mr. Stokes), Parky (Mr. Hobbs), Politician (Mr. C. Mides), Stetchworth (Owner), March Brown II. (Mr. Dutton), Swan of Avon (Mr. R. Bennett), Puffin II. (Captain Moseley). Off 4.18. (Winner trained by Whitelaw.)

Betting—9 to 4 agst. BIG WONDER, 7 to 2 Readable, 9 to 2 Silverside, 10 to 1 each March Brown II. and Muster, 20 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 5/6; places, 3/3, 3/3. Win pool total, 4,400 units; place pool total, 3,746 units.

Won by two lengths; same. Puffin II. was fourth and Stetchworth last.

TOTALISATOR DAILY DOUBLE—Tin o' Mint and Hightide IV. Dividend, £13 12/-. Pool, 4496, 33 winning tickets.

WYE RESULTS.

2.0—ASHFORD SELLING HANDICAP STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. 2 m.

Captain H. N. Weber's ch. m. FAIR AVIS, by Galacian—Elms Avis, a., 10-0 Mr. G. Barker 1
Mr. W. C. Edwards's LADY BICKLEY, a., 10-9 T. Elder 2
Mr. H. E. Courage's LE SULTAN, a., 11-9 M. Pringle 3

Also ran—Treasurer (Owner), Right Ho (E. Vinall), Great Promise (F. Hogan), Smilin Through (G. Wilson), Cease Fire (F. Brookes), Redshank (Mr. Skey), Strong Point (T. F. Morgan), Little Poet (G. Doolan), Gryphon (Owner), Fitzpicton (J. Dillon), Horace (G. Hardy). Off 2.0. (Winner trained by Weber.)

Betting—4 to 1 agst. Le Sultan, 5 to 1 Treasurer, 11 to 2 Right Ho, 7 to 1 Smilin Through, 8 to 1 each FAIR AVIS and Lady Bickley, 100 to 8 each Gryphon, Fitzpicton and Horace, 20 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 9/6; places, 5/6, 4/9, 3/3. Total win pool 2,673 units; place pool, 2,226 units.

Won by four lengths; same.

The winner was bought in for 55 guineas.

2.30 — WYE SELLING HANDICAP HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. 2m.

Mr. S. Wootton's b. g. QUEEN'S PARK, by Beresford—Varsity Match, 4, 11-11 S. Ingham 1
Mr. H. Collins's SILVER CORD, 6, 12-2 F. Rees 2
Mr. W. Hutchinson's SANDLEY, 5, 11-2 P. Prendergast 3

Also ran—Set Square (Owner), Calsman (M. Pringle), Solihull (G. Hard), Cheviotdale (J. Hall), Butchers), Lamintone (G. Pellerin), Prudent Pat (Owner), Tetravile (W. Hollick), Shining Light (A. Smyth), Welsh Dragon (T. Elder), War Dance (Owner), Our Bill (A. Prendergast), Chickweed (F. Grantham), Periaster (E. Vinall), Summer Term (H. Dunk).

Off 2.30. (Winner trained by F. Wootton.)

Betting—7 to 2 agst. Silver Cord, 6 to 1 Calsman, 8 to 1 each QUEEN'S PARK, Tetravile and Cheviotdale, 10 to 1 each Shining Light and Periaster, 100 to 8 War Dance, 100 to 6 Sandley, 25 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 19/6; places, 9/-, 4/-, 17/-. Total win pool, 2,373 units; place pool, 2,163 units.

Won by six lengths; eight lengths.

The winner was bought in for 75 guineas.

3.0—HUNTERS' STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. 3m.

Miss D. Paget's ch. g. RED RUFUS II., by Bachelor's Image—Betty IV., a., 11-3 Mr. N. Dawes 1
Captain C. B. Petre's EXEAT, a., 11-8 Mr. Skey 2
Mr. H. B. Brandt's RUGBY GIRL, a., 11-7 Mr. G. Langlands 3

Also ran—Cuthbert (Owner), Grove Bridge (Mr. Willett), Charmaine (Mr. E. Paget).

Betting—2 to 1 each agst. Rugby Girl and Exeat, 9 to 4 Cuthbert, 10 to 1 Charmaine, 25 to 1 RED RUFUS II. or any other.

Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 16/9; places, 4/-, 4/-, 3/6. Win pool total, 3,015 units; place pool total, 2,610 units.

Won by three lengths; same.

4.0—NOVICES' STEEPLECHASE of 100 sovs. 2m.

Mr. A. G. Scott's br. g. OLIVER CROMWELL, by Sir Galahad—Marie Galante, 5, 11-4 G. Wilson 1
Mr. I. Davis's BLUNT, 6, 11-11 ... M. Feakes 2
Mr. R. Courage's BLUE PETER, a., 11-6 Owner 3

Also ran—Sarong (T. B. McCarthy), Scorn (Owner), Sparta (Mr. R. Skey), Annie Yutol (E. Vinall), Warp (G. Hardy). Off 4.2. (Winner trained by J. Hall.)

Betting—6 to 4 agst. OLIVER CROMWELL, 4 to 1 Sarong, 9 to 2 Blunt, 7 to 1 Warp, 8 to 1 Annie Yutol, 100 to 7 Scorn, 25 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 5/3; places, 2/9, 4/-, 5/6. Win pool total, 1,829 units; place pool total, 1,434 units.

Won by six lengths; two lengths.

4.25—HARVILLE HURDLE RACE of 100 sovs. 2 m.

Sir Ian Walker's ch. g. MILEAWAY, by Milesius —Somehow, 4, 10-0 ..... R. Gough 1
Mr. P. Poingdestre's FREEWHEEL, 4, 10-5 E. Vidall 2
Mr. D. L. Wilson's GOWAN LODGE, 4, 10-5 A. Smyth 3

Also ran—Paul Alder (T. Chisman), White Eaglet (J. Kelly), Grey Bud (H. Hannon), Crusader's Star (G. Pellerin), Esnion (G. Foley). Off 4.37. (Winner trained by Willett.)

Betting—6 to 4 on Gowan Lodge, 5 to 1 agst. Crusader's Star, 7 to 1 Freewheel, 10 to 1 each MILEAWAY and White Eaglet, 33 to 1 any other.

Tote (2/- stake)—Win dividend, 39/3; places, 6/3, 6/6, 2/6. Win pool total, 2,146 units; place pool total, 1,581 units.

Won by three lengths; one and a half lengths.

TOTALISATOR DAILY DOUBLE.—Red Rufus II. and Essex Beacon. Dividend £167 17/-. Pool £186 10/-. One winning ticket.

CROSS-COUNTRY.

BELGIAN TEAM FOR DUBLIN.

The Belgian team to compete in the International Cross-Country Race at Dublin on March 28 will be composed of Linsen, Vincent, Serwy, Dronze, Meersman, Goetleven, Verheylessenne, de Fleurquinx, and Van Rumst.

IRISH BANK OFFICIALS' DINNER.

A group at the annual delegate dinner of the Irish Bank Officials' Association, held in the Royal Hibernian Hotel, Dublin, last night. Included are Major Denroche and Messrs. W. P. Black (Chairman), H. V. Batt (Honorary Secretary), J. G. O'Neill (Honorary Treasurer), G. A. G. Hughes, A. D. Conway, F. D. Thomson and C. H. Denroche, LL.B.

GREYHOUND RACING.

HYDRANGEA TAKES CHIEF EVENT.

TWO CLOSE FINISHES AT SHELBOURNE PARK.

THERE was another interesting night's racing at Shelbourne Park last night. Hydrangea won the chief event, the Shelbourne Stake, in easy fashion from Never Nicer. The winner was always favourite, and getting well away never left the issue in doubt.

Tight Line, a slightly better favourite than Morn Dawn, showed fine pace in winning the Clounanna Bitch Stake, while Porterhouse Steak justified his position in the market by winning the Clonmel Stake.

The Shelbourne Hurdle and the City Plate were productive of exciting finishes. Marshal Foch, the favourite, won the former event, but only by a head from Savoy's Double, and a short head was the verdict by which Tivoli Boy beat Silent Carton in the City Plate.

Moyfeigher Girl, with odds laid on, was a decisive winner of the Celtic Hurdle. Details:—

CLONMEL STAKE (525 yards).

Mr. P. Purcell's bd. d. PORTERHOUSE STEAK (5) (Mutton Cutlet—Dear Nellie), 5 to 2... 1
Mr. M. Hayes' MARCH HONEY (1), 6 to 1 ... 2

Also ran—Edmund Point (6), 3 to 2; Harvey's Sauce (3), 5 to 1; Moutland (4), 6 to 1; Gambling Miller (4), 6 to 1. Four lengths. 31.37 secs.

SHELBOURNE HURDLE (600 yards).

Mr. C. O'Keeffe's bd. d. MARSHAL FOCH (4) (Full Swing—Lady Sue), 6 to 4 1
Mr. J. O'Neill's SAVOY'S DOUBLE (6), 4 to 1 2

Also ran—Pounce (1), 6 to 1; Ugly Monarch (3), 2 to 1. A head. 38.76 secs.

SHELBOURNE STAKE (600 yards).

Mr. J. Harvey's w. f. d. HYDRANGEA (2) (Cheerful Speed—Marie Calin), evens 1
Mr. P. J. Nagle's NEVER NICER (1), 4 to 1... 2

Also ran—Marshal's Baton (3), 4 to 1; Lemur (6), 4 to 1; Phœnix Boy (4), 10 to 1; Champion Cutlet (5), 10 to 1. Four lengths. 35.54 secs.

CLOUNANNA BITCH STAKE (600 yards).

Mr. R. F. Tynan's r. b. SIGHT LINE (5) (Hidden Rock—Arcath Beauty), 6 to 4 1
Miss M. Black's COOLE QUEEN (2), 6 to 1... 2

Also ran—Clonyn's Smile (1), 6 to 1; Jun. Clover (4), 6 to 1; Morn Dawn (5), 7 to 4. Three lengths. 36.59 secs.

CELTIC HURDLE (525 yards).

Mr. J. Dowler's bk. b. MOYFEIGHER GIRL (3) (The Bedouin—Pigeen Again), 6 to 4 on 1
Mr. P. Rafferty's SILENT TEASER (4), 6 to 1 2

Also ran—Try, Try Again (6), 4 to 1; Pixie's Best (1), 5 to 1. A distance. 32.25 secs.

DUBLIN STAKE (525 yards).

Mr. D. Connell's bd. d. ROSE BOY (3) (Odd Boy—Blarney Rose), 3 to 1 1
Mr. P. Dillon's SIR MICHAEL (1), 5 to 1..... 2

Also ran—Torn Pants (6), 8 to 1; Black Raven (2), 8 to 1; Blue Robin (3), 5 to 4; Wild Catcher (5), 4 to 1. Three lengths. 32 secs.

CITY PLATE (525 yards).

Mr. J. Matthews' bk. d. TIVOLI BOY (6) (Dane Swift—Under the Bar), 8 to 1 1
Mr. B. Kelly's SILENT CARTON (2), 4 to 1 ... 2

Also ran—Madeup Mystery (5), 4 to 1; Birdhill Bead (1), 5 to 1; Marvellous D, (3), 100 to 8; Drastic Error (4), 6 to 4. A short head. 32.85 secs.

HAROLD'S CROSS—TO-NIGHT.

8.15—ULSTER PLATE. 525 yards.—Mr. John Cahill's Oval Dinner, Miss Cheerio's Brownswood Boy, Miss Black's Coole Queen, Mr. P. O'Brien's Brave Deed, Mrs. P. Cunningham's Derryconnor Lad, Mr. W. Dunne's Detective. To fill vacancies:—Mr. Michael Walsh's The Sponge, Mr. P. J. Rowan's Buddy's Twist.

8.30—METROPOLITAN HURDLE. 525 yards.—Mr. T. J. Mayler's Soft Fit, Mr. P. Mooney's Rathgandy, Mr. G. R. Gernon's Bankrupt Stock, Mr. P. J. Lawler's Double the Glimmer. To fill vacancies:—Mr. John J. Keily's Nocturnalist, Mr. John O'Dea's Steaming Up.

8.45—LEINSTER PLATE. 525 yards.—Mr. Charles Wynne's (jun.) Wild as a Gift, Mr. Michael O'Carroll's Carfax, Mr. Wm. Carroll's Carabou, Mrs. Cooney's Coolrea, Mr. James Grace's Gendarme, Mr. M. O'Donnell's Edmund Point. To fill vacancies:—Mr. Michael Harte's Coolbon Boy, Mr. Patrick Rickard's Lord North Wall.

9.0—MUNSTER PLATE. 525 yards.—Mr. T. Rennick's Quarry Witch, Mr. G. Griffin's Germaine, Mr. P. Rafferty's Hosea, Mr. P. J. Nagle's Kompola, Mr. W. McMahon's Winsome and Well, Mr. G. A. Buggle's Lady Leng. To fill vacancies:—Mr. T. J. Magee's Cully's Cull, Mr. John Dunne's Phœnix.

9.15—MIDLAND HURDLE. 525 yards.—Miss Maguire's Making Good, Mr. Edward McCamley's Lost Lamb, Mr. C. O'Keeffe's Marshall Foch, Mr. T. Kelly's Major Dick. To fill vacancies:—Mr. E. Lawless's Grey Hill, Mr. Timothy Breen's Nadd More Boy.

9.30—CONNAUGHT PLATE. 525 yards.—Mr. W. Scuffil's Hidden Sheik, Mr. Thos. Walsh's Lowhill Dwarf, Mr. P. O'Brien's Jayside, Mr. Patrick Cleary's Crimson Crocus, Mr. Michael Rogers's Bashful Prince, Mr. Michael McManus's Bright Rank. To fill vacancies:—Mr. Thos. Walsh's Mullagh Cleevaun, Mr. P. Murphy's Magic Cutlet.

9.45—LIFFEY PLATE. 525 yards.—Mr. Wm. Hackett's Wexgand, Mr. Patrick Murtagh's Minlara, Mrs. Wm. Doyle's Miss Craga, Mr. John O'Dare's Oliver's Fancy, Mr. Frank Gallagher's Supposing, Mr. R. McCrea's Royal Orb. To fill vacancies:—Mr. W. D. Broderick's Wonderful Bargain, Mr. Michael Walsh's Dodder Beauty.

AT CORK

8.0—BLARNEY STAKES. 525 yards.—Mrs. M. Hartigan's Poor Davie, Mr. G. Hartigan's Joseph's Gift, Mr. P. J. Smyth's Glenavon, Mr. M. Coughlan's Merry Wife, Mr. W. Scully's Blue Bonney, Mr. P. Duggan's Bronze Wing. To fill vacancies, if any:—Mr. M. Roche's Roche's Glory, Master M. Hartigan's Pat's Girlie.

8.15—COBH HURDLE. 580 yards.—Mr. W. Fitzpatrick's Trooper's Ghost, Dr. T. F. Ryan's Red Sergeant, Mr. P. McGrath's Kilbrogan Boy, Mr. R. Gorman's Brandy Bottle. To fill vacancies, if any:—Mr. F. Baker's Mayeppa.

8.30—SOUTHERN STAKES. 550 yards.—Mr. J. Smyth's Warrior Flash, Miss F. Taylor's Muskerry Lad, Mr. W. F. O'Moláin's Odd Navigator, Mr. W. Ryan's Castle Road, Mr. S. Cotter's Film Laddie, Mr. J. O'Shaughnessy's Aidea O. To fill vacancies, if any:—Mr. T. R. Carroll's Pretty Girl.

8.45—FERMOY STAKES (bitches). 525 yards.—Mr. J. Finn's Greenfield Maid, Mrs. Kempton's Tullykin Lass, Mr. W. Mackessy's Lamb Like, Mr. C. Forde's Flaming Flirt, Mr. F. T. Baker's Head The Trick, Mr. P. J. Murphy's Tallow Harbour. To fill vacancies, if any:—Mr. J. Murphy's Minnekerry Maid, Mr. D. McSweeney's Sunberry Pride.

9.0—MALLOW HURDLE. 525 yards.—Mr. D. Mahony's Curacao, Mr. H. J. Ryan's Friendly Hawk, Mr. H. O'Donoghue's La Barba, Mr. J. Reynolds's Glanworth Raider. To fill vacancies, if any:—Mr. P. Hyde's Orange Back, Mr. F. Howard's Jackie Dandy.

9.15—BALLINCOLLIG STAKES. 525 yards.—Mr. D. Mullane's Better Cutlets, Mr. W. Mackessy's Wide Appeal, Mr. W. Walsh's Zab, Mr. T. Cotter's Brown Fern, Mr. J. Madden's Tipeling Athoe, Mr. J. Brennan's Bit of Suet. To fill vacancies, if any:—Mr. J. Barry's Norman Baron.

CELTIC PARK RESULTS.

8. 0—Skettérick Castle (2/1).
8.15—Tullyard (5/1).
8.30—White Clay (9/4).
8.45—Queer Cup (5/1).
9. 0—Solid Lady (6/1).
9.25—Curran's Best (5/1).

MICK THE MILLER WINS AT WEMBLEY.

The first heats of the Spring Cup at Wembley were decided last night. The distance of the race is 525 yards. Results:—

Heat 1.—Ballybrassil (25/1), 1; Beaded Beauty of Bute (4/1), 2; Tottwood Misery (8/11), 3. Also ran—Melksham Golden Glory, Besl Boy, Avonvale. Neck; 1½l. Time—30.57 secs.

Heat 2.—So Green (11/4), 1; Organ Grinder (6/1), 2; Coolroe Dandy (5/1), 3. Also ran—Lolla Von, Nanki Poo, Malavogue. 2l.; 1½l. 30.54 secs.

Heat 3.—Mick the Miller (1/2), 1; Prince Fern (7/1), 2; Rory of the Hill (7/1), 3. Also ran—Bright Cheer, Virile Bill. 4l.; short head. 30.44 secs.

Heat 4.—Brunswick Bill (evens), 1; Mountain Loafer (8/1), 2; Rotten Row (8/1), 3. Also ran—Maiden's Boy, Whisk Jim. 4½l.; 1½l. 30.14 secs.

ATHLETICS.

RIVALRY BETWEEN PARISHES.

GENERAL O'DUFFY'S PLAN TO ENCOURAGE YOUTH.

SPEAKING at the annual Convention of the Ulster Council, G.A.A., at Cavan, General O'Duffy said that under the control of the N.A.C.A. considerable progress was being made in reviving athletics in Ireland, and up to that morning he had received subscriptions amounting to £700 to wipe out a debt of £800. However, in addition to that, the intention was to get together £10,000, so that athletics could take their proper place in the life of the nation.

This money would be spent on training young athletes so as to fit them to take part in inter-county and international contests. There was an abundance of latent athletic talent in the country, and the method of discovering it was by the formation of athletic clubs all over the country, and the stirring up of inter-parish rivalry.

By his performances at the Olympic Games, Dr. O'Callaghan had raised the reputation of Irish athletics, and next time, at Los Angeles, he hoped they would be able to put several winners in the field.

THE BIG PUSH.

Someone had said that the G.A.A. should again take over the control of athletics in this country, but the way to do that was by the formation of athletic clubs by G.A.A. clubs, who should send their representatives to the annual Congress. The big push for the revival of Irish athletics was now well away, and he expected the Gaels of Ulster would do their part by arranging athletic meetings in every county in the province during the coming season.

Mr. T. Donnelly (Monaghan) asked had the N.A.C.A. any explanation to give for sending a team to the Empire Games last year.

General O'Duffy said that he was not then officially connected with the N.A.C.A., but he understood the decision was taken by the Council.

With reference to handball, Mr. Sean O'Hanlon, Dublin, Secretary to the Central Council, congratulated the two Cavan players on winning the Junior All-Ireland Championship, and hoped the other Ulster counties would also produce champions this year.

Next year's G.A.A. Congress was fixed for Derry.

THE COUNCIL AFFAIRS.

The nine Ulster counties were represented at the annual G.A.A. convention in Cavan on Saturday. Mr. P. McPaidin, Mr. B. C. Fay and General O'Duffy were re-elected unanimously chairman, secretary and treasurer respectively. On a vote by ballot, Mr. B. C. Fay (Cavan), Mr. P. Fearon (Armagh) and Mr. P. McNamee (Antrim) were elected to represent the province on the Central Council.

The balance sheet showed a deficiency of £654 10s. 6d., due, the secretary explained, to the crux over last year's senior final and semi-final and a loss on the Dr. McKenna Cup competition.

COURSING.

KILCREEVIN—TO-DAY.

Judge—Mr. M. Sheehan. Slipper—T. McGowan.

DOONMEGAN STAKE (15 puppies)—Green Bushes v. Hazel Lough; Another Duke v. All Moulded; Dernamana v. Go Ballinode Again; Peggy's Dick v. Dioxun; Crafty Captain v. Jack-a-Dandy; Clonearran Lad v. Claremount Colleen; Crystal v. White Princess; Dainty Nancy a bye.

KILCREEVIN STAKE (15 all-ages)—Cry Off v. Curraghdoory Boy; The Wee Brutus v. Mirthful Mystery; Mountshannon Guiding Nugget v. Mickey Swift v. John Street; Young Hurrah v. Type; Up Moygara v. Kill-Barry; Toto's Dictator v. Graceful Jip; Spencer Lass a bye.

DONEGAN STAKE (no. 2) (16 2-course maidens)—Hazel Twig v. Mockmoyne Lad; Coming Fortune v. Service; Fienna Eireann v. Ludendorf; Honey Hand v. Guide Home; Abbey Bay v. Lakes; Mill Roll v. Perfect Fruit; Guiding Skipper v. Golden Gown; Cruckaun v. Old Rock Flash.

KINGSHOOK STAKE (16 one-course maidens)—Pilar Field v. Eileen Chum; Kilmorgan Boy v. Blue Devon; Fly Paper v. Honey Mills; Direct Line v. Old Rock Boy; Baldock Klipper v. Kenaghan Lass; Movie Queen v. Painted Mouse; Barrack Park v. Cluid Lass; Line Bus v. Mirthful Maud.

SAPLING (No. 1) STAKE—Flying Mickey v. Mr. Hanley's bd. d.; Noel v. Laren's Spray.

SAPLING (No. 2) STAKE—Rex Carew v. Nice Exchange; Glenra Glass v. Mr. J. Mulhern's bk. b.

First brace in slips at 12.30.

BILLIARDS.

LINDRUM V. DAVIS.

Lindrum made an excellent start in his two weeks' match against Davis, to whom he conceded 7,000 points, at Sheffield. After a break of 446 by him and 57, 63 and 210 by Davis, Lindrum completed the session with 1,076 unfinished. The innings contained runs of 79, 76, 102 and 110 cannons. For his sessional score of 1,554 Lindrum averaged 310, Davis's respective figures being 293 and 58. Interval scores—Davis (rec. 7,000), 7,293; Lindrum (in play), 1,554.

At night, after Lindrum had taken his unfinished break to 1,761, Davis followed with 1,118. Afterwards Lindrum made only 21, while Davis, before his thousand break, had 135. Closing scores:—Davis (in play), 8,564; Lindrum, 2,280.

NEWMAN V. M'CONACHY.

The opening session of the match between Newman and McConachy at Manchester yesterday was remarkable for the extraordinary close scoring of the players. Newman's total was 823 and McConachy's 820, and their averages for the session were equal at 92. There were very few big breaks, however, Newman having the biggest of them with 409, and he also had a break of 113, while McConachy's only break of note was 344. Interval scores—Newman (in play), 823; McConachy, 820.

At night Newman scored 813 against 606. He had breaks of 76 (full), 117, and 501 (unfinished). McConachy made 156 and 136. Closing scores:—Newman (in play), 1,636; McConachy, 1,426.

CLAY BIRD SHOOTING.

THE INTERNATIONAL TOURNAMENT.

The first international clay bird shooting contest ever held in Ireland takes place on Friday and Saturday next at Woodbrook, Bray, when prizes to the value of £500 will be competed for.

The following is the Irish team for the international match on the second day:—Dr. P. J. Keogh, T. Glynn, F. Perry, J. D. Stuart, L. Keegan, Dr. Spencer Shiel, M. G. Scally, E. Stuart, T. Henshaw, Comdt. Hannan (Dublin); Dr. Duggan, C. G. Good, M. J. Hunt (Cork); C. Farrell, J. J. McDermott, P. Frayne (Maynooth), D. Twomey, E. Wynne (Abbeyleix); E. J. Gleeson, T. Crowe, D. Studdert (Co. Clare); J. Shannon, T. Campbell (Co. Antrim); and J. McCormack.

Dr. P. J. Keogh will captain the Irish team.

RUGBY FOOTBALL.

WANDERERS WIN THE REPLAY.

U.C.D. FORWARDS BEATEN IN SCRIMMAGES.

WANDERERS ..... 8 UNIVERSITY COLL. 0

DUBLIN club Rugby was not seen at its best at Lansdowne road yesterday, when Wanderers beat University College by 2 goals (1 penalty) (8 points) to nil. Despite perfect playing conditions the football from start to finish lacked any distinction; for, if the Wanderers' backs were able to bring off an occasional movement from out-half to wing, they passed mechanically, while their opponents' handling was also bad.

J. C. D. Hew

PROSPECTUS.

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JOSEPH SEBAG and CO., 7 Angel Court, London, E.C.2.

AUDITORS.

TURQUAND, YOUNGS and CO., 19 Coleman street, London, E.C.2.

SECRETARY AND REGISTERED OFFICE.

R. H. BEECHER, Esq., 3 Lombard street, London, E.C.3.

The Stock is to be redeemed by the operation of a Cumulative Sinking Fund, calculated to redeem the whole of the Stock by 1st April, 1951, to be applied half-yearly by drawings at par. The first repayment is to take place on 1st April, 1932.

The Company reserves the right, on giving to the stockholders three months' previous notice (in writing), to repay at par on any interest date prior to 1st April, 1951, the whole or any part of the Stock then outstanding. In the event of a partial repayment the Stock to be repaid is to be determined by drawings.

All Stock not previously redeemed is to be repaid at par on 1st April, 1951.

The Stock is to be constituted by a Trust Deed in favour of Lionel N. de Rothschild, Esq., and Anthony G. de Rothschild, Esq., as trustees, and will be secured by a first floating charge (according to English law) upon the assets and undertaking of the Company, both present and future.

The Trust Deed will contain a covenant by the Company not to create any mortgage or charge on any of its property or assets (except charges on property and assets outside Spain, to secure temporary loans or guarantees in the usual course of business) without expressly securing the redeemable Debenture Stock by a charge ranking in priority to such mortgage or charge.

From the Chairman's letter accompanying this offer for sale it will be seen that:—

Since its first distribution of profits in 1879 the Company has paid over £43,000,000 in dividends. From 1897 (when the shares were split into Ordinary and Preference Shares) until 1929, inclusive, the annual Ordinary dividend has averaged 57 per cent.

The average of the Company's profits for the years 1927, 1928 and 1929 was over £1,100,000, or over six times the amount required for the annual service of the stock.

The directors estimate (subject to the auditing of the Company's accounts) that, in spite of the fall in the price of copper and the world-wide trade depression, the profit for the year ended 31st December, 1930, should not be less than £650,000. This would be sufficient to cover the annual service of the stock more than four times without taking into account any revenue to be earned by the application of the proceeds of the present issue.

The object of the present issue is to provide the Company with funds to extend its interests in Rhodesia, and for general purposes. The Company proposes to apply part of the proceeds in acquiring a substantial holding of 7 per Cent. Twenty Year Convertible Debentures which are about to be issued by Rhodesian Congo Border Concession, Ltd (Rhokana Corporation, Limited),

N. M. Rothschild and Sons, having purchased the said £2,000,000 Redeemable Debenture Stock, offer it for sale at the price of £91 10/- per cent., payable as follows:—

£10 Os. Od. Per Cent. on Application.
£15 Os. Od. Per Cent. on Acceptance.
£35 Os. Od. Per Cent. on 15th June, 1931.
£31 10s. Od. Per Cent. on 14th September, 1931.

£91 10s. Od. Per Cent.

Payment in full may be made on acceptance, or on 15th June, 1931, under discount at the rate of 2½ per cent. per annum.

The following is a copy of a letter addressed to Messrs. N. M. Rothschild and Sons by the Chairman of the Company:—

To Messrs. N. M. ROTHSCHILD and SONS, 3 Lombard street,
New Court, London, E.C.3,
St. Swithin's lane, London, E.C.4. 16th March, 1931.

GENTLEMEN,—With reference to the £2,000,000 5 per Cent. Redeemable Debenture Stock of the Company, which you have purchased, we have pleasure in giving you the following information:—

The Stock is to be constituted by a Trust Deed in favour of Lionel N. De Rothschild, Esq., and Anthony G. De Rothschild, Esq., as trustees, and is to be secured by a first floating charge (according to English law) upon the assets and undertaking of the Company, both present and future.

The Trust Deed will contain a covenant by the Company not to create any mortgage or charge on any of its property or assets (except charges on property and assets outside Spain to secure temporary loans or guarantees in the usual course of business) without expressly securing the Redeemable Debenture Stock by a charge ranking in priority to such mortgage or charge.

The Company was incorporated on the 29th March, 1873, for the purposes (*inter alia*) of acquiring and working the Rio Tinto Mines in the Province of Huelva, Spain, and mines, beds of quarries elsewhere, and of working, producing and dealing in copper, sulphur and iron ores containing them and other minerals and natural deposits.

The Company owns the freehold of its Spanish Mines, which produce, mainly in the form of pyrites, sulphur and copper ores. The average annual output of these ores from the mines for the last three years has been approximately 2,400,000 tons. The ore reserves are estimated as being sufficient to maintain this rate of production for 50 years, with some gradual diminution of copper content.

Rio Tinto is the largest copper producer in Europe, and ranks tenth in order of magnitude amongst the copper mines of the world. The Company has its own railway connecting the mines with the Port of Huelva, where it has facilities for loading up to 10,000 tons of ore a day into ocean-going steamers. The Company also owns a Copper Refinery in South Wales, where a portion of its copper is refined for the English market.

Of recent years the Company's activities have been greatly extended, both in character and magnitude, and now include, in addition to the mines in Spain, important mining, metallurgical and chemical interests in Europe, North and South America and Africa. This extension of its activities has resulted, on the one hand, in an increase of the earning capacity, and, on the other, in spreading the risk of its undertaking both geographically and industrially.

The Company carries on its North American business through its subsidiary, the Pyrites Company, Inc., which possesses, at Wilmington, Delaware, the most modern copper extraction works now in existence and the second largest of its kind in the world. This plant treats residues from the Company's ore shipped to North America, and produces therefrom copper, lead, zinc and iron ore. The Pyrites Company, Inc., has a long-term contract with the Bethelem Steel Corporation under which the bulk of the large tonnage of iron ore produced at Wilmington is sold.

In addition to its large business in North America in pyrites and iron ore, the Rio Tinto Company is a large shareholder in the Davison Chemical Company, one of the leaders of the American fertiliser industry, and, through its above-mentioned subsidiary, holds a long-term contract to supply that Company with its whole requirements of pyrites for the manufacture of sulphuric acid.

The Company owns jointly with the Metallgesellschaft A.G. of Germany the European Pyrites Corporation, Limited, the largest organisation in the world for the sale of pyrites and pyrites residues. This Company has branches or agencies in all the principal industrial countries of Europe.

The Company has important interests in Rhodesia, of which the most important is its holding of shares of the Rhodesian Congo Border Concession, Limited, of 13-14 Austin Friars, London, E.C.2, a Company which is in process of changing its name to Rhokana Corporation, Limited. Upon completion of a contract which has been entered into with Bwana M'Kubwa Copper Mining Company, Limited, Rhodesian Congo Border Concession, Limited (Rhokana Corporation, Limited), will own the N'Kana and N'Changa Extension Mines, and, through its shareholdings, a 99 per cent. interest in the N'Changa Mine and approximately a one-third interest in the Mufulira, Chambishi and Baluba Mines.

The aggregate ore reserves of the N'Kana N'Changa and N'Changa Extension Mines are estimated at 194,000,000 tons of an average grade of 4.3 per cent. copper, equivalent to 8,300,000 short tons of copper. The aggregate ore reserves of the Mufulira, Chambishi and Baluba Mines are estimated at 147,000,000 tons of an average grade of 4.15 per cent. copper, equivalent to 6,100,000 short tons of copper.

It is expected that the production of concentrates by Rhodesian Congo Border Concession, Limited (Rhokana Corporation, Limited), will begin within twelve months.

As stated in the last annual report of the British South Africa Company, issued last month, the production costs of these Rhodesian Mines per long ton of refined copper landed in Europe are estimated to average about £40 during the earlier stages of development and to decrease to about £32 10/- when the business is fully established, both grade of ore and costs of production, therefore, these mines should compare very favourably with the other principal copper mines of the world.

The object of the present issue is to provide the Company with funds to extend its interests in Rhodesia and for the general purposes of the Company.

Rhodesian Congo Border Concession, Limited (Rhokana Corporation, Limited), is about to offer to its shareholders for cash at par £4,500,000 7 per Cent. Twenty-year Convertible Debentures, of which the Company proposes to acquire a substantial holding. The income from this source will be available, in addition to the ordinary income of the Company, for the service of the Debenture Stock purchased by you.

Of the Company's share capital £2,250,000 was issued for cash at par on the formation of the Company, and the balance has been issued from time to time to meet the Company's requirements.

Apart from the Debenture Stock now purchased by you, the Company has no Debentures or in respect of £300,000 5½ per Cent. Debenture Stock of its subsidiary, the Pyrites Company, Limited.

The Company made its first distribution of profits in 1879, since when it has regularly paid dividends on its Ordinary Shares, with the exception of the years 1920 and 1921, when there was a prolonged strike at the mines, and only the Preference dividend was paid. The total amount distributed in dividends to date is over £43,000,000. From 1897 (when the shares were split into Ordinary and Preference Shares) until 1929, inclusive, the annual Ordinary dividend has averaged 57 per cent.

The following is a copy of the Auditor's report with respect to profits and dividends:—

To the Chairman and Directors, Rio Tinto Company, Limited, 19 Coleman street, London, E.C.2,
3 Lombard street, E.C.3. 16th March, 1931.

GENTLEMEN,—We report in accordance with the provisions of Part 2 of the Fourth Schedule of the Companies Act, 1929, that the profits of your Company for the three years ended 31st December, 1929, after writing back to the appropriate years arrears of Spanish taxes, and after charging income tax and all sums provided for depreciation, including amounts placed to reserve, totalling £450,000, which have not yet been applied, are as follows:—

Year ended 31st December, 1927	£861 161 4 3
Year ended 31st December, 1928	£1,040.312 17 7
Year ended 31st December, 1929	£1,410.261 15 8
Average	£1,103,911 19 2

Dividends have been paid in respect of each of these years on each class of shares in the Company at the following rates, namely:—

5 per cent. on 325,000 Preference Shares of £5 each for 1927, 1928, and 1929.
50 per cent. on 375,000 Ordinary Shares of £5 each for 1927.
40 per cent. on 375,000 Ordinary Shares of £5 each for 1928.
50 per cent. and 5 per cent. bonus on 425,000 Ordinary Shares of £5 each for 1929.

No accounts of the Company have yet been made up in respect of the period subsequent to 31st December, 1929.

We are, Gentlemen,
Yours faithfully,
TURQUAND, YOUNGS and CO., Auditors.

In spite of the fall in the price of copper and the world-wide trade depression, which has resulted in a decline in the demand for the commodities in which the Company deals, we estimate (subject to the auditing of the Company's accounts) that the profit for the year ended 31st December, 1930, should not be less than £650,000. This would be sufficient to cover the annual service of the stock more than four times, without taking into account any revenue to be earned by the application of the proceeds of this issue.

Interim dividends of 2½ per cent. on the Preference Shares and 10 per cent. on the Ordinary Shares have already been paid in respect of the year ended 31st December, 1930.

In addition to agreements entered into in the ordinary course of business, the following agreements have been entered into during the last two years:—

(a) Agreement contained in two letters dated 7th June, 1929, and 10th June, 1929, between the Company and N. M. Rothschild and Sons, for underwriting an issue of 60,000 Ordinary Shares at a commission of £1 10/- per share.

(b) Agreement dated 16th March, 1931, between the Company and N. M. Rothschild and Sons for the allotment to N. M. Rothschild and Sons of the above-mentioned £2,000,000 5 per cent. Redeemable Debenture Stock.

Yours faithfully,
A. C. GEDDES, Chairman.

Applications, which must be for £100 Stock, or multiples thereof, should be made upon the accompanying form.

If an application is not accepted the deposit will be returned without deduction. If an application is accepted for a smaller amount than that applied for, the deposit will be appropriated in or towards payment of the amount due on application and acceptance, and any balance remaining will be returned.

Failure to pay any instalment when due will render all previous payments liable to forfeiture and the acceptance to cancellation.

Provisional Scrip Certificates to bearer, to which will be attached a coupon for £1 5/- per £100 nominal, payable (less income tax) on 1st October, 1931, and representing interest at 5 per cent. per annum on the several instalments from their due dates of payment, will be issued by N. M. Rothschild and Sons in due course in exchange for letters of acceptance on which the amount payable on acceptance has been paid.

N. M. Rothschild and Sons undertake, on and after 1st October, 1931, on surrender of fully paid Provisional Scrip Certificates, to procure the Company to register the holders thereof or their nominees as the holders of the corresponding amount of Stock, carrying interest from 1st October, 1931.

The Company has undertaken that Stock Certificates will be ready for delivery on and after 2nd November, 1931. Provisional Scrip Certificates must be left with N. M. Rothschild and Sons at least 14 days for examination.

The Stock will be transferable in sums of £1 and multiples thereof at the Office of the Company, and warrants for the interest payable 1st April and 1st October in each year will be transmitted by post, the first of such warrants being in respect of the interest due 1st April, 1932.

By the said Agreement, dated 16th March, 1931, N. M. Rothschild and Sons have agreed to subscribe for the £2,000,000 Stock at the price of £88 per cent. N. M. Rothschild and Sons are paying an underwriting commission of 1½ per cent., an overriding commission of ½ per cent., brokerage, and all other expenses incurred by them in connection with this offer, and the stamp duty of ½ per cent. on the Trust Deed securing the Stock.

The net amount which the Company is to receive is estimated at £1,760,000.

Application will be made to the Committee of the Stock Exchange, London, for permission to deal, after the delivery of letters of acceptance, and in due course for an official quotation of the Stock.

A brokerage of 5/- per £100 nominal will be paid on acceptances in respect of applications bearing the stamp of a recognised banker or stockbroker.

Copies of the Memorandum and Articles of Association of the Company, and the above-mentioned agreements and a draft (subject to modification) of the Trust Deed may be seen at the offices of Saunders and May, 18 Tustin Friars, London, E.C.2, and at the offices of Freshfields, Leese and Munns, 31 Old Jewry, London, E.C.2, at any time during business hours while the List of Applications is open.

Copies of the Offer and Forms of Application may be obtained at the office of N. M. Rothschild and Sons, New Court, St. Swithin's lane, London, E.C.4, or at the office of the Company, 3 Lombard street, London, E.C.3.

THIS FORM MAY BE USED.

No. .....

APPLICATION FORM.

RIO TINTO COMPANY, LIMITED.

(INCORPORATED UNDER THE COMPANIES ACT, 1862.)

OFFER FOR SALE AT £91 10/- PER CENT. OF £2,000,000 5 PER CENT. REDEEMABLE DEBENTURE STOCK. (24)

To N. M. ROTHSCHILD and SONS, New Court, St. Swithin's lane, London, E.C.4:

GENTLEMEN,—I/we hereby offer to purchase from you £ ..... nominal amount of the above Stock, and request that you will procure the Company to register me/us as the holder(s) of such Stock, and I/we hereby agree to accept the same or any smaller amount in respect of which this application may be accepted upon the terms of your offer for sale, dated 17th March, 1931, and I/we hand you herewith the sum of £ ..... being a deposit of £10 per £100 nominal, and undertake to pay on their due dates the further sums payable by me/us according to the terms of the said offer for sale.

PLEASE WRITE DISTINCTLY.

SURNAME ..... (Block Letters)
CHRISTIAN NAME(S) ..... (State whether Mr., Mrs. or Miss)
ADDRESS (IN FULL) .....

SIGNATURE .....

Date .....

Applications must be for £100 nominal amount of Stock or multiples thereof.
A separate cheque must accompany each application.
Cheques should be drawn "Pay N. M. Rothschild and Sons"—or bearer—and crossed "Not Negotiable."
Any alteration from "Order" to "Bearer" must be initialled by the drawer.

FINANCIAL NEWS AND NOTES

TONE AND COMMENT.

DUBLIN BUSIER.

RISE IN CABLES "A."

Dublin entered on the new account, which will extend over twenty-one days, with a little more animation than has been noticeable of late, but price movements in the end made a mixed showing. A feature was the rise of four points in Cables 7½ per cent. Ordinary to 24½, following the better price ruling in London.

Funds were steady, with Land Bonds ⅛ lower at 96⅛. Funding Loan, 3½ per cent. Conversion and 4½ per cent. War Loan marked appreciably higher. Banks were a fluctuating market, with Bank Stock three-quarters lower at 344 and Provincials a point down at 28. Provincial New and Royals, on the other hand, were fractionally higher.

Great Southern Ordinary and Preference improved, and the Debentures gave way, and Dublin Trams were a shilling easier at 66s. Alliance Gas likewise sought a lower level at 10½.

Guinness Units were a few pence lower in a small market, but the Preferences rose ⅛ to 12½.

The Industrial section was very quiet, but for the most part good in tone. Courtaulds, Unilevers and Chemicals all rose slightly; Dunlops were easier and "Imps" closed unchanged. There was nothing like snap in any direction. The best movement of the day was in Williams (H.) Ordinary, which rose 3s. 7d. to 80s.

The market will be closed to-day (Tuesday, St. Patrick's Day). London will be open as usual.

LONDON FIRM.

COLUMBIAS AND RADIOS ADVANCE.

Despite the fact that business was interfered with to a certain extent by the arrangement of the carry-over, trading was on quite a good scale, there being a fair accumulation of orders over the week-end, whilst fresh business showed some expansion. As a consequence, cheerful conditions characterised the majority of sections, and the list of price movements recorded at the close made a very favourable showing, several of the appreciations registered being of substantial proportions. The Industrial sections, especially, enjoyed good support, with Columbia Graphophones and Radios outstanding, on the belief that an announcement will be made in the near future in connection with the merger negotiations, which are said to have made rapid progress, and both issues went appreciably higher, though reacting slightly in the "street."

There was not a great deal passing in the Gilt-edged section, but the tone continued firm, and the final levels were unchanged from those ruling at the week-end. Among Foreign Government Stocks, Brazilians made fresh headway, the 6½ per cent., 1927, rising to 75, on a point harder, while the 5 per cent. Funding Bonds at 85 were ½ to the good. British Rails made an uncertain showing, with Great Western Ord., Midland Ord. and Underground Ord. all the turn easier. Apart from Antofagasta Ord., which were marked off sharply to 48, or 1½ points lower, Colonial and Foreign Rails continued firm, though there was little change in values. San Paulo Ord., however, stiffened 3 points to 140½, and Entre Rios Ord. and the 6 per cent. Cumulative Pref. each gained a point at 61 and 85½ respectively. Hardly a dull feature was to be seen in the Industrial sections. Trading was on quite a good scale, and prices generally trended in the upward direction. Elsewhere, Oil shares developed strength, and Mines were bought at higher levels.

MARKETS AT A GLANCE.

Monday Night.

STOCKS AND SHARES:

London firm.
Dublin busier.
Birmingham Motors good.
Manchester Textiles steady.
New York strong.

MONEY:

Bank of England Rate	3	p.c.
Last Year	4	p.c.
Irish Banks' Rate	4	p.c.
Ditto Deposits	1½	p.c.
London Day-to-Day Loans	3-2½	p.c.
London Fine 3-Months' Bills	2½-⅜	p.c.

THE INDUSTRIAL MARKET.

INTERNATIONALS FAVOURED.

At yesterday's carry-over in the Industrial Market the general charge again ruled at 4½ to 5½ per cent., but lower rates were arranged in several instances. Dunlops, Molasses, Unilevers, and Carreras were done at 4 to 5 per cent., H.M.V.'s at 3 to 4 per cent., and Leylands at 2 to 4 per cent. "Bats," "Imps," and Imperial Chemical Ordinary were continued at 1 to 3 per cent., Courtaulds at "even" to 1 per cent., and British Celanese at nothing to 2 per cent. There was a rather stiff rate on Pinchin Johnson at 5 to 6 per cent. Trading for the new account proved rather better than generally expected, though most of the business passing was professional. Trans-Atlantic issues gave the lead, the "Record" Shares being prominent, on the belief that an announcement will be made in the near future regarding the merger negotiations between the Radio Corporation and Columbia Graphophone Company.

The Trans-Atlantic favourites opened in good form, but final prices were below the best. Radio Corporations touched 26¾ at one time, eventually finishing with a net gain of 3 dollars at 26½. Hydro-Electrics were finally 28¼ after 29, and Brazilian Traction Common 27½ after 28. Nickels gained ⅛ at 18¾, touching 19. The "Record" leaders attracted considerable attention. Columbia Graphs. rose to 3⅞ bid, and Gramos (H.M.V.) changed hands freely up to 2¾, the latter closing ¼ to the good on balance at 2⅛.

Cables and Wireless Stocks were marked down in the absence of fresh buyers. The Preference lost 2 at 60, the "A" Ordinary 1¼ at 23½, and the "B" Ordinary ¼ at 12.

A fair inquiry was received for Electricals.

Of the Equipments, Callenders, General Electric, and Johnson and Phillips all hardened.

Apart from Swan Hunter, which gave way to 17s. 3d. on the reduction in the dividend, the Iron and Steel group ruled quietly steady.

Motor Shares moved irregularly. Fords reflected American influences, and closed ⅛ up at 34⅛.

Following the satisfactory Canadian Celanese results, Rayon Shares presented a firmer front. Canadian Celanese advanced ¼ to 2⅜, Courtaulds ⅛ to ⅛, and British Celanese Ord. improved 9d. to 7s. 6d., while Snia Viscosa hardened further to 8s. 3d.

In the Textile section Listers came in for renewed attention and put on 1s. to 12s. 6d., with Wardles buyers around 28s. 9d. J. and P. Coats proved an exceptionally dull spot, closing 9d. easier at 53s.

The feature of the Provision group was the continuance of the demand for International Tea, which left them 9d. up at 21s. 9d. Unilever N.V. improved ⅛ to 2⅛ after being 2⅛, and Unilevers closed unaltered at 2⅛ after being 2⅛. Liptons were again active. The Ord. hardened 1½d. to 5s. 6d., while the First Pref. eased 3d. to 9s. 3d., and the Second Pref. kept firm at 9s. 9d.

Renewed support was forthcoming for the principal Brewery Shares. Mitchell and Butlers rose 1s. 6d. to 49s. and Bass Ord. 1s. to 58s. 3d., with buyers also in evidence for Benskins at 34s. 9d., Guinness at 98s. 6d., Watney Def. at 49s. and Courage Ord. at 57s. 3d.

Tobaccos were slightly harder, with "Bats" at 4⅛ and Carreras "A" at 4⅛. "Imps," however, lost the turn at 4⅛.

Shipping Shares were inclined to weaken. P. and O. Def. fell 1s. to 32s. and Cunard 9d. to 13s.

Insurance Shares were well maintained, and one exception being Employers Liability, which were marked down ⅛ to 3⅛, following the publication of the report. Banks held their ground.

A good deal of interest was taken in Pinchin Johnson, and they improved to 32s. in the early dealings, but when the dividend announcement became known there was a sharp reaction to 30s. 9d., at which they finished 9d. down on balance. International Paint was firm at 35s. Imperial Chemicals came into demand, but finished below the best. The Ord. rose 6d. to 16s. 6d., after 16s. 9d.; the Pref. 3d. to 21s., after 21s., and the Defd. 1½d. to 3s. 9d. British Aluminium advanced 1s. to 30s., Salt Union gained ⅛ at 1½, Turner and Newall 3d. at 39s. 9d., and Dunlops 1½d. at 12s. 7½d. The Swedish section again made a good showing. Kreuger and Toll were favoured and left off ⅛ higher at 26½, while Swedish Match "B" moved up ⅛ to 13⅛.

OIL SHARES IMPROVE.

Following the dulness which prevailed in the closing days of last week, the Oil Share market commenced the new account in better style than had generally been anticipated. The firmer tendency during the early hours was almost entirely attributable to the favourable nature of advices received over the week-end from New York and Continental centres, where International counters were mostly quoted higher on Saturday last. The improvement was particularly noticeable among the recognised leaders, but the more speculative descriptions participated to a moderate extent. Owing to the small amount of business passing best prices were not held, but, nevertheless, gains were still general at the close.

RUBBER SHARES IDLE.

No expansion of interest was observable in the Rubber Share Market, but share values were usually well maintained. Easier conditions were apparent in the raw material market at the commencement, but later a steadier tone developed, and prices rallied the turn. Thus, spot and March sold from 5¾d. to 5¾d. per pound, April to June from 5¾d. to 5¾d. per pound, and July to September fetched 4d. per pound. The expansion in London stocks of rubber was rather heavier than anticipated, for the figure stands 704 tons higher at 83,001 tons, after deducting 1,154 tons, the estimated amount destroyed by fire at Butler's Wharf. Liverpool stocks now amount to 47,105 tons, an increase of 1,618 tons on the week.

INSURANCE SHARES.

BUSINESS DONE IN LONDON.—Commercial Union, 22 15/16; 23; 23 1/16, 5; 23 1/16, 23 1/16; Eagle Star Ord., 11 3/4; Employers', 67/-, 3d., 6d.; General Accident, 147; Guardian, 10 3/32, 10, 1 1/16; North British and Mercantile, 3 3/32, 1/8; Northern, 15/8, 1/8; Phœnix £1 (fully paid), 1 3/32, 1/16, 3/4; Prudential, 24 1/2, 7/16, £24 5/8; Royal Exchange, £6 7/-; Royal Insurance, 72 3/32, 2 3/32, 1 3/16; Sun Life, 5 4 1/2.

BUSINESS DONE IN LIVERPOOL.—Commercial Union, 22 1/8, 3/4; Guardian Assurance, 10 1/8; London and Lancashire, 27; Phœnix Assurance, 400001, etc., 15 2 3/32; Royal Insurance, 72 7/32; Sea Insurance, 72 9, 3d.

MINING PARAGRAPH.

LANGLAAGTE ESTATE.—"Fire occurred in the east deep shaft on Saturday, now extinguished and mine running normally. Monish's operations not affected. No loss of life."

INTERNATIONAL PAINT AND COMPOSITIONS COMPANY, LTD.

The directors of the above company desire to state, in view of repeated references in the Press to negotiations for an amalgamation of their company with another paint company, that no such negotiations are in progress.

DUBLIN BUSINESS DONE.

FUNDS STEADY. BANKS IRREGULAR. GUINNESS EASIER. INDUSTRIALS IDLE.

In Funds, National Loan repeated 104¾ and Second ditto improved ⅛ at 106⅛, after 106. Third ditto rose ⅛ at 100⅛, after 100½, and Land Bonds eased ⅛ at 98⅞. Consols lost ⅛ at 56⅜, and 4½ p.c. War Loan was 1/32 better at 101 7/32. 5 p.c. War Loan shed ⅛ at 104, and Funding Loan put on ⅛ at 93⅛. Conversion Loan was 1/32 higher at 79⅜, and India 2½ p.c. changed hands at 43.

Bank of Ireland lost ⅛ at 344, and Hibernian unchanged at 11⅛. National repeated 49s. 3d., after 49s. and 48s. 9d. Provincial Bank fell 1 to 28, and the new stock hardened ⅛ at 22½. Royal Bank was ⅛ higher at 15½.

Guinness eased 3d. at 98s., and the Prefs. put on ⅛ at 12½.

Cables "A" jumped 4 at 24½ and the "B" softened ⅛ at 12⅜.

In Rails, Great Northern Ord. unaltered at 16, and Great Southern Ord. gained ⅛ at 15⅜. The Prefs. were ⅛ better at 37, and the Debs. gave way ⅛ at 61½.

Dublin Tramways shed 1s. at 66, and ditto "B" Debs. unchanged at 71.

Commercial Banking repeated 22s. 10½d.

Alliance Gas broke 1/32 at 10 7/32.

Crowe, Wilson Ord. unaltered at 4s. 9d. Among Industrials, "Bats" Pref. changed hands at 21s. 1½d., and "Imps" repeated 90s. Courtaulds Ord. put on 6d. at 32s., and Chemicals hardened 7½d. at 16s. 7½d. The Defs. were ¼d. stronger at 3s. 10½d. Unilever Ord. improved 9d. at 42s. 9d., after 43s., 42s. 9d., and 42s. 6d., and the new stock came on business at 43s.

Helys Ord. repeated 21s., and *Independent* Pref. unchanged at 19s. 9d., after 20s. Lever 8 p.c. eased 1½d. at 22s. 3d.

"Other business done" included Columbia Graph at 63s. 6d. and Wiggins Teape at 25s. 7½d.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

Nat. Loan..(104½) 104¾ | G.N. Ord.....(16) 16
Sec. Ln..(100) 106 *6½ | Commercial Bk.(22/10½) 22/10½
Third Ln.(100) 100¾ | Alliance Gas..(10⅛) 10⅛
Land Bonds...(99½) 98⅞ | Crowe Wilson...(4/9) 4/9
Consols .....(56⅛) 56⅜ | B.A.T. Pref. ..(21⅛) 21⅛
5½ War Ln.(100) 100⅝ | Courtaulds....(31/6) 32/-
Funding Ln.(92½) 93⅛ | Dunlops .....(12/9) 12/6
Conver. Loan.(78⅜) 79⅛ | 12/7½
India 2½ .....43 | Hely's Pref...(21/-) 21/-
Bank Stk..(344) 344 | Chemicals...(16/7½) 16/7½
National.(49.3) 49/- *8/9 | Do. Def...(3/10) 3/10½
*9/3 | Imp. Tobac...(90/-) 90/-
Provincial .....(29) 28 | Independent Pref.
Do. New.....(21½) 22½ | (19/9) 20/- *19/9
Royal .....(15) 15½ | Lever 8% ...(22/4½) 22/3
Guinness .....(98/3) 98/- | Unilever.(42/-) 43/- *2/9
Do. Pref.....(12) 12¾ | *2/6-*2/9
Power Pref...(13/3) 13/- | Do. New 41/-
Cables A .....(20½) 24½ | Vickers .....(7/6) 8/-
Do. B .....(12½) 12½ | Williams (H.).(76/5) 80/-
Dub. Trams..(67/-) 66/- | Shells..(65/7½) 66/3 *6/6
Do. B Deb....(71) 71
G.S. Ord.....(15½) 15⅜ | Columbia Graph. Ord. 63/6
Do. Pref.....(36½) 37⅛ | Wiggins Teape 25/7½
Do. Deb.....(62) 61⅝ | (Last business done given in parentheses.)

"Odd lot. a asked, b bid, c cash.

IRISH BANKS' RATE.

Irish Banks' Rate (May 1, 1930)... 4 %
Loans on Government Stocks transferred ... 3 %
Deposits ... 1½ %

The rates in the foregoing table are subject to variation.

STOCK EXCHANGE SETTLEMENTS.

Contango		April 6
Ticket	Mar. 17	April 7
Intermediate	Mar. 18	April 8
Account day	Mar. 19	April 9

BELFAST.

Belfast Exchange opened the new account with a firm tone. War Fives, 103⅛; 103⅛; Guaranteed Bonds, 99; Nelson Steam Debs., 99½. Ulster 4½ p.c. Loan was recorded 98 for business done on Friday. Two small lots of Northern Bank "A" shares were done at 5½; Westminster Bank 7½. 9d. Belfast Corporation 1945 Stock fetched 102½; Belfast Harbour 1963-81 Stock was done at 75 for two small lots, and a round lot fetched 75½. Imperial Tobaccos changed hands at 90s., Gallahers at 24s. 9d. and 25s., Vickers 8s., and Swedish Match new "B" shares 12½. Imperial Chemical Deferred were marked 3s. 9½d. for business on Friday last.

CORK.

Cork Electric Supply Ord buyers at 25s.6d., Cork Corporation Old 73, New 65; John Daly Ord. 56; Imperial Hotel Ord. 22s. 6d., Pref. 60s.; Murphy's Debs. 81, Ryan's Pref 43s. 4d.

LATEST CLOSING AND STREET PRICES.

BRITISH FUNDS, ETC.

	Closing.	Rise or fall.
Consols 2½ %	56⅛ 57⅛	
Do. 4 %	99	
War Loan 4½ %	100 101	
Do 5%	103⅝ 104¼	
Funding Loan	92½ 93½	
Victory Bonds	94 95	
3½ % Treasury Loan	78½ 79⅛	
4½ % Conversion Loan	100 101	
5% Conversion Loan	105½ 106½	
Irish Free State 4½ % Land Bonds	98 100	
India 3 %	52 53	
Do. 3½ %	59 62	
Do. 4½ %	81 84	
Do. 5½ %	109 111	
Local Loans	65½ 68½	
Sudan 5½ %	167 169	

COLONIAL GOVERNMENT STOCKS.

Australian Com. 5 p.c.	78 80	
Do. 4 p.c.	87 93	
British Columbia 4½ p.c. 1941	95 97	
Canada 4 p.c., 1940-60	93 96	
Cape 3½ p.c. Cons.	83 85	
Ceylon 6 p.c.	103 105	
N.S.W. 5 p.c., 1945-65	64 70	
Do. 6½ p.c., 1930-40	83 89	
New Zealand 6 p.c., 1936-51	100 105	
Do. 5 p.c. 1946	18 19½	
Nigeria 6 p.c.	110 112	
Queensland 5 p.c., 1940-50	70 75	-2½
South African 5 p.c., 1935-45	101 103	
South Australian 5 p.c., 1932-42	71 77	
Do. 4 p.c., 1940-60	54 60	
Victoria 5 p.c. 1932-42	71 77	
Do. 5 p.c., 1945-75	71 77	
Western Australian 5 p.c., 1945-75	69 75	
Do. 6 p.c., 1930-40	79 83	

BANKS.

Anglo-South American	5½ 6	+ ⅛
Bank of Australasia	8⅝ 9⅛	
Bank of England	265 270	
Bank of Montreal	60 65	
Bank of New South Wales	21 24	
Bank of New Zealand	29/16 2	
Barclay's "A" Shares	8½ 8⅝	
British Overseas	5⅜ 5⅝	
Canadian of Commerce	46 49	
Chartered of India	16¼ 17½	+ ⅛
Hong Kong and Shanghai	107 111	+1
Lloyds	56/6 58/6	
Midland	8½ 8¾	
National Discount "A"	9⅜ 10⅛	
National Provincial (£4 pd.)	12⅞ 13⅜	
Royal of Canada	58 61	
Standard of South Africa	13¾ 14⅛	
Union of Australia	6½ 7½	
Westminster Bank (£1)	73/6 75/6	

FOREIGN BONDS.

M.U.—Mar. 16.

104 Austrian 6 p.c. Guar...	103 105	
104 Belgian 7 p.c.	113 115	
74½ Brazil 6½ p.c. Bds. '27	75 77	+1
84½ Do. 5 p.c. Fund. 1898	84 86	+ ½
72 Do. 5 p.c. do. 1914...	71 73	
88 Chinese 4½ p.c. 1898 ...	87 89	
50½ Do. 5 p.c. 1912	30 32	+1
65¾ Do. 5 p.c. Reorg. 1913	65 67	
74½ Chinese Imp. Ry. 5% Gold	73 76	
46 Do. Shanghai-Nanking 5 p.c.	45 50	
23 Do. Tientsin-Pukow 5 p.c.	21 26	
113 Czecho-Slovakia Bonds..	112 114	
77 Egyptian Unified	76½ 78½	
20¾ French Loan 5 p.c.	20⅜ 21¼	
20⅜ Do. 4 p.c.	20⅛ 20⅞	
104½ German 7 p.c.	103½ 105½	
103¼ Greek 7 p.c.	102 104	
19½ Italian Rentes	18½ 20½	
101½ Japan 6 p.c. 1905	100 102	
12½ Mexican 5 p.c. '99	9 12	
13½ Do. 6 p.c. 10-Y. Treas.	11 15	
4¼ Peruvian Corporation ..	3	
21½ Do. Pref.	21½ 23½	+1½
75

LONDON MINING MARKET HARDER.

GOLD SHARES BUOYANT.

Quite a fair amount of business was passing in the Mining Market yesterday, and a firm tone ruled. Kaffirs gave a particularly good account of themselves, and only about half a dozen shrinkages could be placed against a long list of improvements, many of which were of substantial proportions. Rhodesians took their cue from their neighbours, and, although business was not particularly brisk, the trend of values was upward. Chartered rose sharply, while Cam and Motor were a centre of activity, and a further improvement was recorded. Of the Northern issues, Rhokana were wanted on the encouraging references made to the company at the Rio Tinto meeting, and Bwana M'kubwa were also a harder market. Diamonds were left to themselves, the only alteration being a small shrinkage in De Beers Pref. The price of Tin fluctuated within narrow limits, business being restricted. The Share Market kept firm, though trading was on a small scale and movements on balance were few. In the Australian department more attention was directed to the Gold shares. Lake View and Star again moved up, while Associated Gold were a strong point. Wiluna also finished appreciably higher. In the Copper section Rio Tinto were unaffected by the statements made at the meeting. In the Miscellaneous section Santa Gertrudis benefited from the rise in the price of silver. Panama were a centre of activity on the persistent rumours that arrangements have been completed for the extension of the plant. Closing prices :—

SOUTH AFRICAN.

M.U. Mar. 16.		M.U. Mar. 16.	
13/6	Afric & Eur	15/3	15/9 +0/3
3/8	Ang-Am'p 10/	3/-	3/3 +1/32
3/8	Angl-o-Fr'ch	19/-	19/-
31/2	Brakpan	3	3 1/16 +1/32
9	Cent. Mining	9	9 9/16 +1/4
4/9	City Deep	4	4 3/16
19/-	Con Geld'fds	17/-	17/3 +1/32
25/-	Cons. W. Reef	22/10	23/4 –0/1
9/0	Con. M Sel	8	9 9/16 +0/3
4/-	Crown Mines	4	4 1/16 +1/32
15/3	Durban Deep	10/-	10/3 +0/3
10/-	E. Rand Con	10/7	10/3 +0/3
32/-	Geduld	32	32 33/32 +1/32
8/0	Geldenhuis Deep	7	7 9/32
2/-	Gen. Mining	1	15/- 15/- +1/16
11/-	Grootvlei	11	11/- 11/32 –1/32
28/3	Johan'sburg	28	28/9 29/0 +0/9
3/3	Langlaagte Estate	3	3/3 3/6 +0/1
10/0	Knights	7	6 17/6 +0/6
25/6	Langlaagte E	25	25/- 25/3 +0/3
2/32	Meyer & Char	2	2/32 2/32
4	Modderfontn	3	3/4 3/16
10/0	Modder B.	9	9/6 10/6
1/32	Modder Deep	1	1/32 1/32
1/32	Modder East	1	1/32 1/16
29/3	New S. Areas	29	29/- 29/3
12/9	Nourse	12	3 12/9 –0/3
0/3	Oceana Con.	0/1	1/2 0/4
0/10	Ofcentron	0/9	1/0 +0/1 1/2
2/9	Rand Mines	2	2/32 2/32
20/6	Randfontein	20	20 20/6 +0/6
11 7/8	Robin Deep	11	7/8 –/10 +0/3
6/3	Rose Deep	6	4/0 1/00 +0/7 1/2
7/6	Simmer & J.	3	6 3/4 +0/4 1/2
7/5	S.A. Towns.	7	3/3 7/9
3/16	Springs	3	1/2 2/16 –1/32
15/0	Vlak. Estate Af	14	6 15/6
3/8	Sub N gel	3	1/32 3/32 –1/16
3/32	Trans. Con. I.	3	3/8 3/8
1/8	Trans. Con. L	2	0/0 23/0
2/16	Union Corp.	2	2/32 2/32 +1/32
7/6	Van Ryn	7	6 8/6
1/32	Do. Deep	1	1/32 1/32
1/32	Vereen'ging	1	1/32 1/16
6 1/2	Village Main	6	0/0 6/6
10/9	West R. Con	10	10/6 11/1 +/4 1/2
12/6	West Springs	12	3 13/3
4/9	Wit Deep	4	3/3 5/3

RUSSIAN.

6/6	Lena Gold	0	3/3 0/6
8/3	Lena Gold 12/6	0	1/2 0/4 1/2

RHODESIAN.

6/3	Bechuanas Ex	6/0	6/6
6/1 1/2	B. M'Kubwa	6/1	6/7 1/2 +0/7 1/2
1/-	Cam & Motor	1	1/3 +1/32
28 10/-	Chas. R.S.A.	27	6 27/3 +0/6
—	Gatling Gd.	0	3 0/6
15/9	Globe & Phoe	15	7 15/9
5/15/-	Gold Rhe	5	9 6/3
2/0	Loanawa	1	10 1/2 2/1
2 1/2	Lonely Reef	2	2 2 1/32 +1/32
1 3/32	N'thangaCop	1	1/32 1/32
1	Rezende	1	1/32 1/32
1/3	R. Broken H.	1	0 1/3 –0/3
7/3	Rhod'n ore Bo	7	7 1/2
7/8	Rhod Katanga	1	2 5/16
7/8	Roan Antel (5/	1	3 5/16
2/10	Selukwe 2/0	2	1/16 2/1 3/1 1/2
1/0	Sh'ukwe	0	6 1/6
1 1/8	Shew'd Star	1	2 1/8
3/6	S. Rhd. M'ls	3	0 4/0
1/2	Tanganyika Con	1	1/32 1 2/32 +1/32
2 1/32	Tse. Falls Ord	2	1/32 2 5/16
34/6	Do. Pref.	34	0 34/0
1	Wankie Co	19	0 20/0
1 1/2	Zamb Expl.	1	1/2 1 5/16 +1/16

DIAMOND.

5/32	Angola Dia	5/2	12/0 13/0
5/16	Ch. D.S.W.A	5/0	5/6
5/16	De Beers Def	5	3/16 5/16
8 1/16	Do. Pref.	8	9/16 8 13/16
1/32	Jagersfontn	1/32	1/32
1/32	Premier Prst	1/32	3/16
2 1/2	Premier Prst	2	1/4 2 3/4
3/0	West African	2/6	3/6

AUSTRALIAN.

6/3	Anaconda Zinc	6/3	7/3
11/3	B. Hill Prop	11	3 5/6
—	Do. South.	15	2 1/16
3/16	Elec. Zinc Pf	1	2 5/8
1/6	Lake V. Star	10/8	11/0 +0 1/2
21/0	Lake V. Inv.	20	6 21/6
1/32	Mount Isa	3	1/16 1/16 +1/32
1/3	Nth. Bn. Hill	11	3/32 1 1/16
11/6	Sth. Kalgur	11	0 12/0
6/3	Sulphide Cpr	5	9 6/6
2/16	Do. Pref.	10	9 11/9
15/3	Wiluna Gold	13	0 15/9 +0/9
1/3	Zinc Cor (10)	1	2 1/16 1/32
2/3	Zinc Corp. Pref	2	3/4 2/4

WEST AFRICAN.

28/6	Ashanti (4/0	28	0 29/0
8/0	Fanti Cons	7	6 8/6

TIN.

M.U. Mar. 16.			
4/6	Anglo-C. (10/)	4	0 4/3
9/0	Anglo-Oriental	9	6 9/3
11/6	Do. Pref	11	3 11/9 +0/3
6/0	Aramayo	1	3/16 1/16
6/0	Associa'd Tin	5	9 6/3
1/0	Bisichi	1	1/32 1/16
7	Gopeng	1	15/16 2/16
16/3	Ipoh	15	9 16/9
3/8	Kaduna Synd	3	1/16 3/16
1/3	Kamunting	1	1/9 1/3 –0/3
22/6	Kram't'Pulo	1	2/32 1/32
13/6	London Tin	13	0 14/0 +0/9
19/3	Malayan T.D	18	10/ 19/4 –0/14
7/16	Naraguta	7	1/8 9/16
6/9	Pahang 5/	7	0/7 6
6/3	Ramsbotham	1	4/32
16/10	Renong	15	7/8
9/3	Siamese	9	0 9/6 –0/3
1/0	Sth. Barberya	0	9/ 3
4/9	Tavoy (4/	4	6 5/0
15/0	Tronoh 5/	14	9 15 3 +0/3

COPPER.

11/8	Messina	11	0 12/0
7/8	Mount Lyell	2	3/32 2/32
8/0	Namagua	7	16 7/16
25/4	Rio Tinto (£5)	25	3/16 25/6
3/4	Tharsis	3	3/32 3/4 –1/16

MISCELLANEOUS.

9/7 1/2	Burma Corp	9/7	1/2 10/1
—	C'mp Bird (£	0/4	1/2 0/7 1/2
7/9	Champ. Reef	7	3 8/3
3/3	Chos. Corp	3	2/32 3/0
3/3	Explor. (10/-)	2	6 3/6
1/0	Kesley Silver	1	0 1/3
—	Mexico Min's	1	9 3/6
31/6	Minerals Sep	31	3/4 31/9
11/0	in. Crp. Can	11	0 11/6 +0/6
10/6	Mysore (10/)	9	9 10/9
15/6	Nanyuki	15	6 16/3 +1/6
2/9	Oorogum	2	6 3/6
2 3/32	Panama Corp	15	9 15/9 +0/9 +1/0
20/6	St. J. Del Rey	20	0 21/0
13/6	San Francisco	13	6 14/0
8/0	Santa Gertr	7	10 8/4 +0/4 1/2
13 1/2	Tigon Ming.	5	3/4 6/6
8/3	Trepca (3/6)	8	0 9/0
13/6	Waihi Gold	12	9 13/9

Ex Dividend. † Ex Rights. ‡ Ex bonus.

DEALINGS IN LONDON MARKET.

The following dealings among active Stocks and Shares were marked in London yesterday :—

Consols (x.d.)—57 6/16, 5/8, 11/16, 5/8, 9/16, 5/8, 11/16, 5/8, 9/16, 5/8, 11/16, 5/8, 9

JAMES J. SCANNELL'S AUCTIONS,
AT 4 BACHELOR'S WALK, DUBLIN.
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Comprising Antique 9ft. Mahogany Oval Falling-leaf Table, in perfect condition; Antique Inlaid Falling-leaf Table, Antique Bow-front Antique Side Table, with tapered legs; Antique Folding Inlaid Card Table, 5ft. Mahogany Bureau and Bookcase, 3ft. Oak do., Mahogany Bureau, Carved Mahogany Hall Table, Japanese Centre Table, Set of Lacquered Tea Tables; superior Overstrung Piano, practically new, cost 95 guineas; Cottage Pianos by Collard and Collard, and Pigott; Walnut and Burr Bedroom Suits, two 4ft. Mahogany Bedroom Suites, with Beds to match; 4ft. American Walnut Bedroom Suite, 3ft. Satin Walnut do., 5ft. Inlaid Mahogany Bedroom Suite, Walnut Dressing Chest, with Cheval Mirror; Mahogany Duchesse Pair, with large Cheval Mirror in Dressing Chest; Mahogany Chests Drawers, Settee and 2 Arm Chairs in hide, 4 Chesterfield Suites in velour, 2 do. in tapestry; 5ft. Queen Anne Mahogany Sideboard, 6ft. Mahogany Sideboard, with carved back, 5ft. Oak Mirror-back Sideboards, 2 superior China Cabinets, Chippendale design, with shaped mirror-backs; 2 Mahogany Bow-front Enclosed China Cabinets, handsome Italian Walnut Card Table, 6 Chairs and 2 Carving Chairs, Chippendale design, covered in hide; 9-piece Diningroom Suite, covered in Morocco; 9-piece Walnut Suite, covered in figured velvet; 6 Dining-room Suites, upholstered in saddlebags, velvets, and Rexine; 4ft. Mahogany Bookcase, Settee, 2 Arm Chairs, and 4 Jacobean Dining Chairs, covered in Rexine; 7 Hand-made Mahogany Chairs, covered in Rexine; 6 do., covered in American leather; Canteen Cutlery, with ivory handles; Mahogany Single and Double Beds, Double Bedstead in Oxidised Silver, with Wire Woven and Hair Mattress, Black and Brass do.; 12 Mahogany and Oak Telescope Dining Tables, Oval and Round Mahogany and Walnut Centre Tables, 3-Valve Wireless Set, with frame aerial, cost 95 guineas, in perfect working order; Lace Curtains, Blankets and Linen, Hall Stands, good Garden Seat, with Woven Wire Seat; Kitchen Furniture, Oriental and Axminster Carpets, and quantity of Miscellaneous Household Requisites.

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19 HADDON ROAD.

The Entire Furniture and Effects, including Mahogany Pedestal Sideboard, Mahogany Dining Table, with screw frame; Set of 6 Mahogany Dining Chairs, Arm, Easy, Angle, Prie Dieu and Occasional Chairs; Chesterfield, upholstered in corduroy velvet; Inlaid Walnut Hand-Fruit and China Cabinet; Upright Piano, in ebonised case; large Musical Box in inlaid walnut case, with drawers in the frame; Mahogany Angle Cabinet, Convex Mirror, Chiming Clock, Gilded Frame Overmantel Mirror, Brass-bound Plate Bucket, Bronze Candelabra, with brass drops; Jardiniere Stands, Side, Occasional and Work Tables, Glass Chandelier, Benares Tray and Stand Coppers, Curtis and Fisher Stained Glass Decorative and Table China and Glass, Pair of Plated Entree Dishes, and other Plated Goods; Cutlery, Paintings and Engravings, Lace and other Curtains, Grandfather Clock, in mahogany case; Pair of short Mahogany Settees, Cheffonier, Mahogany Wardrobe, with mirror door; Mahogany Chest of Drawers, Mahogany-frame Toilet Mirror, Oak, All-brass and Brass-mounted Bedsteads, Wire and Hair Mattresses, Painted Bedroom Furniture, Blankets and Bedding, Axminster Room and Stair Carpeting, Pair of Mahogany Hall Chairs, Kitchen Furniture and Utensils, Mangle, Garden Seats and Chairs, Lawn Mowers. On View Morning of Sale.

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